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H.B. No. 2679

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the development of a regional water supply reservoir
3 project at a site known as Lower Bois d'Arc Creek in Fannin County,
4 Texas.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "Lower Bois d'Arc Creek
7 Reservoir Project" means the reservoir project on Bois d'Arc Creek
8 in Fannin County, Texas, that is identified for development in the
9 current state and regional water plans.

10 SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. The legislature finds
11 that:

12 (1) the development of new water supplies to meet the
13 growing demand for water is necessary for the sound economic
14 development of this state and is of concern and importance to this
15 state;

16 (2) the state water plan identifies several sites for
17 new reservoirs as having unique value for reservoir construction,
18 including the site for the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir; and

19 (3) the designation of the site for the Lower Bois
20 d'Arc Creek Reservoir Project as a unique reservoir site is
21 necessary for the sound economic development of this state and for
22 the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, and general
23 welfare of this state.

24 SECTION 3. DESIGNATION OF SITE. The legislature, as

1 authorized by Section 16.051(g), Water Code, designates the site
2 known as the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir on Bois d'Arc Creek,
3 in Fannin County, Texas, as a site of unique value for the
4 construction of a dam and reservoir. The legislature also
5 determines that the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir Project is
6 necessary to meet identified water supply requirements in Region C
7 of the state water plan.

8 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
9 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members
10 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas
11 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for
12 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2005.