

1-1 By: Phillips (Senate Sponsor - Deuell) H.B. No. 2679
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 28, 2005;
1-3 April 29, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Natural Resources; May 16, 2005, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 16, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the development of a regional water supply reservoir
1-9 project at a site known as Lower Bois d'Arc Creek in Fannin County,
1-10 Texas.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "Lower Bois d'Arc Creek
1-13 Reservoir Project" means the reservoir project on Bois d'Arc Creek
1-14 in Fannin County, Texas, that is identified for development in the
1-15 current state and regional water plans.

1-16 SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. The legislature finds
1-17 that:

1-18 (1) the development of new water supplies to meet the
1-19 growing demand for water is necessary for the sound economic
1-20 development of this state and is of concern and importance to this
1-21 state;

1-22 (2) the state water plan identifies several sites for
1-23 new reservoirs as having unique value for reservoir construction,
1-24 including the site for the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir; and

1-25 (3) the designation of the site for the Lower Bois
1-26 d'Arc Creek Reservoir Project as a unique reservoir site is
1-27 necessary for the sound economic development of this state and for
1-28 the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, and general
1-29 welfare of this state.

1-30 SECTION 3. DESIGNATION OF SITE. The legislature, as
1-31 authorized by Section 16.051(g), Water Code, designates the site
1-32 known as the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir on Bois d'Arc Creek,
1-33 in Fannin County, Texas, as a site of unique value for the
1-34 construction of a dam and reservoir. The legislature also
1-35 determines that the Lower Bois d'Arc Creek Reservoir Project is
1-36 necessary to meet identified water supply requirements in Region C
1-37 of the state water plan.

1-38 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
1-39 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members
1-40 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas
1-41 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for
1-42 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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