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

1-8 relating to the rates charged by a municipally owned utility to
1-9 certain recreational vehicle parks for potable water or wastewater
1-10 service.

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

1-12 SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 13, Water Code, is amended
1-13 by adding Section 13.087 to read as follows:

1-14 Sec. 13.087. MUNICIPAL RATES FOR CERTAIN RECREATIONAL
1-15 VEHICLE PARKS. (a) In this section:

1-16 (1) "Nonsubmetered master metered utility service"
1-17 means potable water service that is master metered but not
1-18 submetered and wastewater service that is based on master metered
1-19 potable water service.

1-20 (2) "Recreational vehicle" includes a:

1-21 (A) "house trailer" as that term is defined by
1-22 Section 501.002, Transportation Code; and

1-23 (B) "towable recreational vehicle" as that term
1-24 is defined by Section 541.201, Transportation Code.

1-25 (3) "Recreational vehicle park" means a commercial
1-26 property on which service connections are made for recreational
1-27 vehicle transient guest use and for which fees are paid at intervals
1-28 of one day or longer.

1-29 (b) A municipally owned utility that provides nonsubmetered
1-30 master metered utility service to a recreational vehicle park shall
1-31 determine the rates for that service on the same basis the utility
1-32 uses to determine the rates for other commercial businesses,
1-33 including hotels and motels, that serve transient customers and
1-34 receive nonsubmetered master metered utility service from the
1-35 utility.

1-36 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter,
1-37 the commission has jurisdiction to enforce this section.

1-38 SECTION 2. This Act applies to potable water or wastewater
1-39 service provided on or after the effective date of this Act.
1-40 Potable water or wastewater service provided before the effective
1-41 date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the
1-42 service was provided, and that law is continued in effect for that
1-43 purpose.

1-44 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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