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S.B. No. 547

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to voter eligibility and registration in El Paso County  
Water Improvement District No. 1.

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

SECTION 1. Subtitle J, Title 6, Special District Local Laws  
Code, is amended by adding Chapter 9303 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 9303. EL PASO COUNTY WATER

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 9303.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district"  
means the El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1.

[Sections 9303.002-9303.050 reserved for expansion]

SUBCHAPTER B. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Sec. 9303.051. VOTER ELIGIBILITY. An individual is  
eligible to vote in a district election only if the individual:

(1) is 18 years of age or older;

(2) is a United States citizen; and

(3) is registered to vote under Section 9303.052.

Sec. 9303.052. ELIGIBILITY TO REGISTER. (a) To be eligible  
for registration as a voter in the district, an individual must:

(1) be registered to vote in El Paso County, Texas; and

(2) either:

(A) hold title to land that is:

(i) taxable by the district; and

1                    (ii) classified by the district as  
2 irrigable; or

3                    (B) have an ownership interest in an entity that  
4 holds title to land that has received irrigation water from the  
5 district within the previous four calendar years and is taxable by  
6 the district.

7                    (b) To vote in a district election, an individual eligible  
8 to vote under Section 9303.051 must register with the district not  
9 later than the 60th day before the date on which the district  
10 election is held.

11                    (c) The district shall file with the county clerk of El Paso  
12 County a certified copy of the list of the district's registered  
13 voters not later than the 25th day before the date on which a  
14 district election is held.

15                    SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.