

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 668
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 23, 2005; March 2, 2005, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental
1-4 Relations; March 17, 2005, reported favorably by the following
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1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the authority of the board of directors of the South
1-9 Randall County Hospital District to invest district funds.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Section 5, Chapter 200, Acts of the 62nd
1-12 Legislature, Regular Session, 1971, is amended to read as follows:

1-13 Sec. 5. The board of directors shall manage, control and
1-14 administer the hospital system and all funds and resources of the
1-15 district and may invest district money in funds and securities as
1-16 prescribed by Chapter 2256, Government Code [~~, but in no event shall~~
1-17 ~~any operating, depreciation or building fund reserves be invested~~
1-18 ~~in any funds or securities other than those specified in Articles~~
1-19 ~~836 or 837, Revised Statutes~~]. The district, through its board of
1-20 directors, shall have the power and authority to sue and be sued, to
1-21 promulgate rules and regulations governing the operation of the
1-22 hospital, hospital system, its staff and its employees. The board
1-23 of directors shall appoint a qualified person to be known as the
1-24 administrator or manager of the hospital district. Such
1-25 administrator or manager shall serve at the will of the board and
1-26 shall receive such compensation as may be fixed by the board. The
1-27 administrator or manager shall, upon assuming his duties, execute a
1-28 bond payable to the hospital district in an amount to be set by the
1-29 board of directors, in no event less than Five Thousand Dollars
1-30 (\$5,000), conditioned that he shall perform the duties required of
1-31 him, and containing such other conditions as the board may require.
1-32 The administrator or manager may appoint an assistant administrator
1-33 or manager. The administrator or manager shall supervise all the
1-34 work and activities of the district and shall have general
1-35 direction of the affairs of the district, subject to the
1-36 limitations as may be prescribed by the board. The board of
1-37 directors shall have the authority to appoint to the staff such
1-38 doctors as it may be deemed necessary for the efficient operation of
1-39 the district, and may provide for temporary appointments to the
1-40 staff if warranted by circumstances. The board may delegate to the
1-41 administrator or manager the authority to employ technicians,
1-42 nurses and employees of the district. Such board shall be
1-43 authorized to contract with any other political subdivision or
1-44 governmental agency whereby the district will provide
1-45 investigatory or other services as to the medical, hospital, or
1-46 welfare needs of the inhabitants of the district and shall be
1-47 authorized to contract with any county or incorporated municipality
1-48 located outside its boundaries for the care and treatment of the
1-49 sick, diseased or injured persons of any such county or
1-50 municipality, and shall have the authority to contract with the
1-51 State of Texas, or agencies of the federal government for the state
1-52 or federal government to reimburse the district for the treatment
1-53 of sick, diseased or injured persons. The board shall require
1-54 reimbursement from the sheriff of Randall County or the police
1-55 chief of a municipality within Randall County for the district's
1-56 care and treatment of a person confined in a jail facility of the
1-57 county or municipality who is not a resident of the district. A
1-58 person confined in a jail facility of the county or municipality is
1-59 not considered a resident of the district unless the person meets
1-60 the qualifications for residency notwithstanding the confinement,
1-61 the length of confinement, or the facts surrounding the
1-62 confinement.

1-63 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-64 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

2-1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-3 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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