

Amend CSHB 1565 by adding the following appropriately numbered section and renumbering the sections of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Chapter 306, Acts of the 49th Legislature, Regular Session, 1945, is amended by adding Section 23A to read as follows:

Sec. 23A. (a) The District may not charge a customer who receives water services from the District on and after September 1, 2007, a residential or commercial water rate that is greater than the rate charged by the District on September 1, 2007. This subsection expires September 1, 2012.

(b) If, on or after September 1, 2007, the District contracts with a person to provide water services to District customers and the person with whom the District contracts has water rates lower than the District's, a customer who receives water services from the District on September 1, 2007, and when the contract is in effect is entitled to the water rate charged by the person with whom the District contracts.