By: Howard of Travis H.B. No. 3444

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3444:

By: Smith of Harris C.S.H.B. No. 3444

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the eligibility of emergency services districts to

3 apply for or receive grants.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter E, Chapter 775, Health and Safety

6 Code, is amended by adding Section 775.079 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 775.079. GRANTS. A district may apply for or receive a

8 grant from any person, including the United States, for any

district purpose. A district is eligible to receive a federal grant

10 for any district purpose.

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11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

12 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

13 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

14 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

15 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.