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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to property tax abatement agreements entered into by the 3 Dallas County Utility and Reclamation District pertaining to single-family residential property and to the validation of certain 4 5 actions of the district. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 6 SECTION 1. Section 4B(7), Chapter 628, Acts of the 68th 7 Legislature, Regular Session, 1983, is amended to read as follows: 8 (7) Except as provided by Subdivision (8) of this 9 section, a tax abatement agreement shall provide that the portion 10 of the taxable value of the property subject to the agreement that 11 exceeds the taxable value of the property for the year in which 12 notice for the project to which the agreement pertains is submitted 13 14 is: 15 (A) subject to an effective tax rate of: (i) 60 cents for each \$100 of taxable value 16 of property if the property is residential real property other than 17 single-family residential property; and 18 (ii) 50 cents for each \$100 of taxable value 19 of property if the property is nonresidential real property; and 20 21 (B) exempt from taxation or subject to an 22 effective tax rate not to exceed 20 cents for each \$100 of taxable 23 value of property, as provided by the terms of the agreement, if the 24 property is single-family residential property.

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1 SECTION 2. (a) All governmental and proprietary actions of 2 the Dallas County Utility and Reclamation District taken before the 3 effective date of this Act are validated, ratified, and confirmed 4 in all respects as if the actions had been taken as authorized by 5 law.

6 (b) This section does not apply to any matter that on the 7 effective date of this Act:

8 (1) is involved in litigation if the litigation 9 ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final court 10 judgment; or

(2) has been held invalid by a final court judgment. 11 SECTION 3. (a) The legal notice of the intention to 12 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this 13 14 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a 15 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished 16 17 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code. 18

(b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has
submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
Environmental Quality.

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed 22 (c) its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the 23 24 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives within the required time. 25

26 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this27 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect

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3 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 7 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.