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H.B. No. 2173

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the exemption of certain counties and school districts  
3 from the drainage charge imposed by a municipal drainage utility  
4 system.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 552.053, Local Government Code, as  
7 effective April 1, 2009, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read  
8 as follows:

9 (e) A municipality described by Section 552.044(8)(A) shall  
10 exempt property owned by a county or school district from drainage  
11 charges under Section 552.047 and all ordinances, resolutions, and  
12 rules adopted under this subchapter.

13 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
14 a fee assessed by a municipality on or after the effective date of  
15 this Act. A fee assessed by a municipality before the effective date  
16 of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the fee was  
17 assessed, and the former law is continued in effect for that  
18 purpose.

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.