

AN ACT

relating to the exemption of certain counties from the drainage charge imposed by a municipal drainage utility system.

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

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

(e) Property owned by a county in which a municipality described by Section 552.044(8)(A) is located is exempt from drainage charges under Section 552.047 and all ordinances, resolutions, and rules adopted under this subchapter.

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to a charge assessed, billed, or collected by a municipality on or after the effective date of this Act. A charge assessed, billed, or collected by a municipality before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the charge was assessed, billed, or collected, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 874 passed the Senate on April 9, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 874 passed the House on May 19, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor