1-1 By: Bonnen (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) Bonnen (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 2346 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 27, 2011; 1**-**2 1**-**3 May 3, 2011, read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security; May 20, 2011, reported 1-4 1-5 favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 20, 2011, sent 1-6 to printer.) A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 - 71-8 AN ACT 1-9 relating to authorized investments for ports and navigation 1-10 1-11 districts. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 2256, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 2256.0203 to read as follows: 1-12 1-13 Sec. 2256.0203. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS: PORTS AND NAVIGATION DISTRICTS. (a) In this section, "district" means a navigation district organized under Section 52, Article III, or 1-14 1**-**15 1**-**16 1-17 Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution. In addition to the authorized investments permitted by 1-18 (b) this subchapter, a port or district may purchase, sell, and invest its funds and funds under its control in negotiable certificates of deposit issued by a bank that has a certificate of deposit rating of 1-19 1-20 1-21 1-22 at least 1 or the equivalent by a nationally recognized credit 1-23 rating agency or that is associated with a holding company having a 1-24 commercial paper rating of at least A-1, P-1, or the equivalent by a nationally recognized credit rating agency.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011. 1**-**25 1**-**26

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