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S.B. No. 1361

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the audit report exemption for certain general and special law districts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 49.198, Water Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 49.198. AUDIT REPORT EXEMPTION. (a) A district may elect to file annual financial reports with the executive director in lieu of the district's compliance with Section 49.191 provided:

(1) the district had no bonds or other long-term (more than one year) liabilities outstanding during the fiscal period;

(2) the district did not have gross receipts from operations, loans, taxes, or contributions in excess of \$250,000 [~~\$100,000~~] during the fiscal period; and

(3) the district's cash and temporary investments were not in excess of \$250,000 [~~\$100,000~~] at any time during the fiscal period.

(b) The annual financial report must be accompanied by an affidavit attesting to the accuracy and authenticity of the financial report signed by a duly authorized representative of the district.

(c) The annual financial report and affidavit in a format prescribed by the executive director must be on file with the executive director within 45 days after the close of the district's

1 fiscal year.

2 (d) Districts governed by this section are subject to
3 periodic audits by the executive director.