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H.B. No. 3858

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to fees charged by the Coastal Bend Groundwater Conservation District.

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

SECTION 1. Section 8829.151, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 8829.151. DISTRICT REVENUE AND FEES. To accomplish the regulatory goals of the district, and to pay the district's maintenance and operating costs, the district may:

(1) impose an ad valorem tax at a rate not to exceed five cents for each \$100 of taxable value of property in the district;

(2) assess [~~general~~] production fees as authorized by Section 36.205, Water Code;

(3) solicit and accept grants from any public or private source; [~~and~~]

(4) assess an export [~~a transfer~~] fee on water exported from the district in an amount not to exceed 150 percent of the maximum wholesale water rate charged by the City of Houston; and

(5) assess other fees authorized by Chapter 36, Water Code.

SECTION 2. 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

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.