H.B. No. 3858

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
Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.
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President of the Senate

I certify that H.B. No. 3858 was passed by the House on April 30, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 137, Nays 2, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3858 was passed by the Senate on May 8, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: ____________________________

Date

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Governor