1-1 By: Kolkhorst

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1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Perry	X			
1-9	Zaffirini	Х			
1-10	Creighton	X			
1-11	Hall	X			
1-12	Hinojosa	Х			
1-13	Kolkhorst	Х			
1-14	Rodríguez			Χ	

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

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1-17 relating to fees charged by the Coastal Bend Groundwater 1-18 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 <u>as authorized by Section 36.205, Water Code</u>;
- (3) solicit and accept grants from any public or private source; [and]
- (4) assess <u>an export</u> [<u>a transfer</u>] fee on water exported from the district <u>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.</u>

1-36 Code.

1-37 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 1-40 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-41 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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