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H.B. No. 3185

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to fees charged by the Rolling Plains Groundwater
3 Conservation District; authorizing a fee.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 8867.103, Special District Local Laws
6 Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection
7 (c) to read as follows:

8 (a) The district may assess fees under Section 36.122(e) or
9 36.205(c), Water Code, in an annual amount not to exceed:

10 (1) \$1 per acre-foot of water used for agricultural
11 use; ~~or~~

12 (2) 17 cents per thousand gallons of water used for any
13 other purpose; or

14 (3) notwithstanding any limitations on the amount of
15 an export fee or surcharge authorized under Section 36.122(e),
16 Water Code, 150 percent of the maximum commercial water rate
17 charged by the City of Wichita Falls for groundwater exported from
18 the district.

19 (c) The district may use funds obtained from an export fee
20 imposed under Subsection (a)(3) only to enhance:

21 (1) aquifer monitoring, modeling, and data
22 collection; and

23 (2) research to advance the scientific understanding
24 of the district's groundwater resources.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.