

1-1 By: Kolkhorst S.B. No. 949
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 17, 2017; March 1, 2017,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;
 1-4 April 10, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7,
 1-5 Nays 2; April 10, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to a limitation on the amount of attorney's fees awarded in
 1-20 a case assigned to a special three-judge district court.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Chapter 22A, Government Code, is amended by
 1-23 adding Section 22A.0055 to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 22A.0055. ATTORNEY'S FEES. In a case assigned to a
 1-25 special three-judge district court under this chapter and in any
 1-26 related case consolidated with the case before the court, the court
 1-27 may not award attorney's fees in an amount that exceeds \$250,000.

1-28 SECTION 2. Section 22A.0055, Government Code, as added by
 1-29 this Act, applies only to a case assigned to a special three-judge
 1-30 district court on or after the effective date of this Act.

1-31 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-32 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-33 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-34 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-35 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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