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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to fees charged to a school district by a water supply or sewer service corporation.

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

SECTION 1.  Chapter 67, Water Code, is amended by adding Section 67.0115 to read as follows:

Sec. 67.0115.  LIMITATION ON FEES FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS. (a) In this section, "impact fee" means a charge imposed by a corporation against new development to pay for capital improvements or facility expansions necessitated by the new development. The term includes amortized charges, lump-sum charges, capital recovery fees, contributions in aid of construction, and any other fee that functions as described by this definition.

(b)  A corporation may not charge a school district an impact fee or a fee to acquire water rights unless the board of trustees of the district enters into a contract with the corporation for payment of the fees. The contract may contain terms the board of trustees considers advisable to provide for payment of the fees.

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, 2019.