By: Holland H.B. No. 3507

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to contracts for the construction, repair, and renovation
- 3 of certain conservation and reclamation district facilities.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Sections 49.273(d) and (e), Water Code, are 6 amended to read as follows:
- 7 (d) For contracts over  $\frac{$150,000}{$150,000}$  [\$\frac{\$75,000}{\$75,000}], the board shall
- 8 advertise the letting of the contract, including the general
- 9 conditions, time, and place of opening of sealed bids. The notice
- 10 must be published in one or more newspapers circulated in each
- 11 county in which the district is located. If there are more than
- 12 four counties in the district, notice may be published in any
- 13 newspaper with general circulation in the district. The notice
- 14 must be published once a week for two consecutive weeks before the
- 15 date that the bids are opened, and the first publication must be not
- 16 later than the 14th day before the date of the opening of the sealed
- 17 bids.
- (e) For contracts over \$25,000 but not more than \$150,000
- 19 [\$75,000], the board shall solicit written competitive bids on
- 20 uniform written specifications from at least three bidders.
- 21 SECTION 2. Section 49.273, Water Code, as amended by this
- 22 Act, applies only to a contract for which a governmental entity
- 23 first advertises or otherwise requests bids, proposals, offers, or
- 24 qualifications, or makes a similar solicitation, on or after the

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- 1 effective date of this Act.
- 2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.