

1-1 By: Holland (Senate Sponsor - Nichols) H.B. No. 3507
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2023;
1-3 May 2, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Water,
1-4 Agriculture & Rural Affairs; May 9, 2023, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 9, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

| 1-7 | | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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| 1-8 | Perry | X | | | |
| 1-9 | Hancock | X | | | |
| 1-10 | Blanco | X | | | |
| 1-11 | Flores | X | | | |
| 1-12 | Gutierrez | | | X | |
| 1-13 | Johnson | X | | | |
| 1-14 | Kolkhorst | X | | | |
| 1-15 | Sparks | X | | | |
| 1-16 | Springer | X | | | |

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to contracts for the construction, repair, and renovation
1-20 of certain conservation and reclamation district facilities.

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

1-22 SECTION 1. Sections 49.273(d) and (e), Water Code, are
1-23 amended to read as follows:

1-24 (d) For contracts over \$150,000 [~~\$75,000~~], the board shall
1-25 advertise the letting of the contract, including the general
1-26 conditions, time, and place of opening of sealed bids. The notice
1-27 must be published in one or more newspapers circulated in each
1-28 county in which the district is located. If there are more than
1-29 four counties in the district, notice may be published in any
1-30 newspaper with general circulation in the district. The notice
1-31 must be published once a week for two consecutive weeks before the
1-32 date that the bids are opened, and the first publication must be not
1-33 later than the 14th day before the date of the opening of the sealed
1-34 bids.

1-35 (e) For contracts over \$25,000 but not more than \$150,000
1-36 [~~\$75,000~~], the board shall solicit written competitive bids on
1-37 uniform written specifications from at least three bidders.

1-38 SECTION 2. Section 49.273, Water Code, as amended by this
1-39 Act, applies only to a contract for which a governmental entity
1-40 first advertises or otherwise requests bids, proposals, offers, or
1-41 qualifications, or makes a similar solicitation, on or after the
1-42 effective date of this Act.

1-43 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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