

## Chapter 628

H.B. No. 4291

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the fees charged by the Colorado County Groundwater  
3 Conservation District.

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

5 SECTION 1. The heading to Section 8824.151, Special  
6 District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 Sec. 8824.151. DISTRICT REVENUE AND FEES.

8 SECTION 2. Section 8824.151(a), Special District Local Laws  
9 Code, is amended to read as follows:

10 (a) To accomplish the regulatory goals of the district, pay  
11 the maintenance and operating costs of the district, and ~~to~~ pay  
12 any bonds or notes issued by the district, the district may:

13 (1) impose ad valorem taxes at a rate not to exceed  
14 three cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation of taxable property  
15 in the district; ~~or~~

16 (2) assess production fees as authorized by Section  
17 36.205, Water Code;

18 (3) solicit and accept grants from any public or  
19 private source;

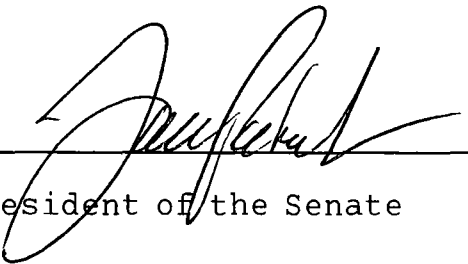
20 (4) assess an export fee on water ~~reasonable fees~~  
21 ~~for:~~

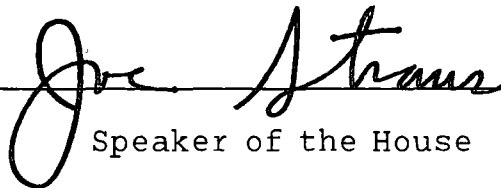
22 ~~[(A) services provided;~~

23 ~~[(B) water withdrawn from each well that is not~~  
24 ~~exempt from district permitting or regulation; or~~

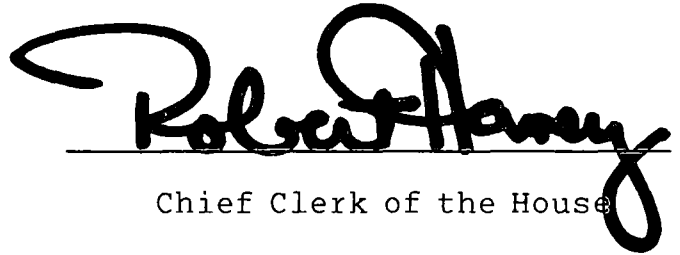
1                    [~~(C) groundwater~~] exported from the district in  
2 an amount not to exceed 150 percent of the maximum wholesale water  
3 rate charged by the City of Houston; and  
4                    (5) assess other fees authorized under Chapter 36,  
5 Water Code.

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

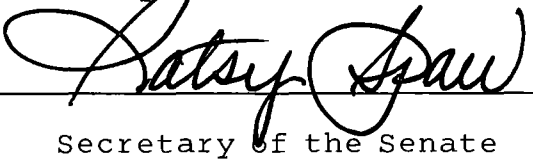
  
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President of the Senate

  
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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4291 was passed by the House on May 4, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

  
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Chief Clerk of the House

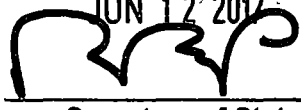
I certify that H.B. No. 4291 was passed by the Senate on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

  
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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Governor

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**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 10, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Charles Perry, Chair, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB4291** by Schubert (Relating to the fees charged by the Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District.), **As Engrossed**

<p><b>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b></p>
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The bill would take effect immediately if the bill receives a two-thirds vote in each house; otherwise, the bill would take effect September, 1 2017.

**Local Government Impact**

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:**

**LBB Staff:** UP, SZ, GG, BM

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**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 17, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Lyle Larson, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB4291** by Schubert (Relating to the fees charged by the Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District.), **As Introduced**

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