Chapter 95

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H.B. No. 1224

2	relating to the purposes for which the assets of certain revolving
3	funds administered by the Texas Water Development Board may be
4	used.
5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
6	SECTION 1. Subchapter J, Chapter 15, Water Code, is amended
7	by adding Section 15.6042 to read as follows:
8	Sec. 15.6042. CROSS-COLLATERALIZATION OF FUNDS. (a) In
9	this section, "state revolving fund bonds" means revenue bonds
10	issued by the board to provide funds for the revolving fund, the
11	safe drinking water revolving fund, or an additional state
12	revolving fund.
13	(b) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the board
14	by resolution may approve the use of assets of the revolving fund,
15	the safe drinking water revolving fund, or an additional state
16	revolving fund as a source of revenue or security, or both revenue
17	and security, for the payment of the principal of and interest on
18	state revolving fund bonds.
19	SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
20	a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
21	provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
22	Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
23	Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1224 was passed by the House on April 16, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the Hous

I certify that H.B. No. 1224 was passed by the Senate on May 13, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:

5-23-2015

Date

Governor

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Secretary of State

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 30, 2015

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

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1224 by Lucio III (Relating to the purposes for which the assets of certain revolving funds administered by the Texas Water Development Board may be used.), As Engrossed

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD Austin, Texas

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