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H.B. No. 2983

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to a petition for the creation of a fresh water supply
3 district.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 53.014, Water Code, is amended to read as
6 follows:

7 Sec. 53.014. REQUISITES OF PETITION. To be sufficient, the
8 petition must:

9 (1) be signed by a majority of the persons who hold
10 title to land in the proposed district that represents a total value
11 of more than 50 percent of the value of all the land in the proposed
12 district as indicated by the appraisal roll of the appraisal
13 district in which the proposed district is located. If there are
14 more than 50 persons holding title to land in the proposed district,
15 the petition is sufficient if signed by 50 of those persons [~~contain~~
16 ~~the signatures of 50 or a majority of the electors of the proposed~~
17 ~~district who own land in the proposed district~~]; and

18 (2) state:

19 (A) the boundaries of the proposed district;

20 (B) the general nature of the projects proposed
21 to be done;

22 (C) the necessity for the proposed district;

23 (D) the feasibility of the proposed district;

24 and

1 (E) the proposed name for the district, which
2 must include the name of the county in which it is situated.

3 SECTION 2. Section 53.014, Water Code, as amended by this
4 Act, does not apply to a petition for the creation of a fresh water
5 supply district presented to the commissioners court of a county
6 before September 1, 2007. A petition presented before September 1,
7 2007, is governed by the law as it existed immediately before that
8 date, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

9 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.