

1-1 By: Sheets (Senate Sponsor - Perry) H.B. No. 1662  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 27, 2015;  
 1-3 May 4, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on  
 1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 11, 2015, reported favorably by  
 1-5 the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 11, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Lucio	X			
1-8 Bettencourt	X			
1-9 Campbell	X			
1-10 Garcia	X			
1-11 Menéndez	X			
1-12 Nichols			X	
1-13 Taylor of Galveston	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the exemption of certain property from municipal  
 1-18 drainage service charges.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Section 552.053, Local Government Code, is  
 1-21 amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (d-1) to  
 1-22 read as follows:

1-23 (d) A municipality may exempt property owned by a religious  
 1-24 organization that is exempt from taxation pursuant to Section  
 1-25 11.20, Tax Code, from all or a portion of drainage charges under  
 1-26 this subchapter, as the governing body of the municipality  
 1-27 considers appropriate.

1-28 (d-1) A municipality may exempt property used for cemetery  
 1-29 purposes from drainage charges under Section 552.047 if the  
 1-30 cemetery is closed to new interments and does not accept new  
 1-31 burials.

1-32 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-33 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-34 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-35 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-36 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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