

1-1 By: King of Uvalde (Senate Sponsor - Flores) H.B. No. 1699
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 11, 2023;
 1-3 April 12, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Local
 1-4 Government; May 15, 2023, reported adversely, with favorable
 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0;
 1-6 May 15, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

| | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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| 1-9 | X | | | |
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| 1-11 | | | X | |
| 1-12 | | | X | |
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1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1699 By: West

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to the authority of the Evergreen Underground Water
 1-22 Conservation District to impose certain fees.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Chapter 197, Acts of the 59th Legislature,
 1-25 Regular Session, 1965, is amended by adding Section 22A to read as
 1-26 follows:

1-27 Sec. 22A. FEES. (a) The Board may impose:

1-28 (1) a combined production and export fee on water
 1-29 exported from the District in an amount not to exceed 20 cents for
 1-30 each thousand gallons of water exported from the District; and

1-31 (2) other fees as authorized by Chapter 36, Water
 1-32 Code.

1-33 (b) A fee collected under Subsection (a)(1) of this section
 1-34 may only be used:

1-35 (1) to maintain the operability of wells significantly
 1-36 affected by groundwater export projects; and

1-37 (2) as authorized by Section 36.122(1), Water Code.

1-38 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-39 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-40 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-41 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-42 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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