

1-1 By: Perry S.B. No. 2660
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 13, 2025; April 3, 2025, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Local Government;
1-4 April 10, 2025, rereferred to Committee on Water, Agriculture and
1-5 Rural Affairs; April 15, 2025, reported favorably by the following
1-6 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; April 15, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	X			
1-10			X	
1-11			X	
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15	X			
1-16	X			
1-17	X			

1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District;
1-21 authorizing a fee.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 8843.153, Special District Local Laws
1-24 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 8843.153. TAXES ~~[AND OTHER FEES]~~ PROHIBITED.
1-26 Notwithstanding Section 8843.101 or Subchapter G, Chapter 36, Water
1-27 Code, the district may not ~~[~~

1-28 ~~[(1)] impose a tax[, or~~
1-29 ~~[(2)] assess or collect any fees except as authorized~~
1-30 ~~by Section 8843.151 or 8843.152].~~

1-31 SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 8843, Special District
1-32 Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 8843.1511 to read as
1-33 follows:

1-34 Sec. 8843.1511. PRODUCTION FEE. (a) The district may
1-35 assess a production fee as provided by Section 36.205, Water Code.

1-36 (b) A fee assessed under this section may not exceed the
1-37 greater of:

1-38 (1) 38 cents per 1,000 gallons of groundwater
1-39 withdrawn; or

1-40 (2) the raw surface water cost of other wholesale
1-41 water suppliers providing water to customers in the district.

1-42 (c) The district may use revenues generated by fees assessed
1-43 under this section for any lawful purpose.

1-44 (d) This section does not apply to:

1-45 (1) a well used exclusively for an agricultural use,
1-46 as defined by Section 36.001, Water Code; or

1-47 (2) a well that is exempt under district rules.

1-48 SECTION 3. The following provisions of Chapter 8843,
1-49 Special District Local Laws Code, are repealed:

1-50 (1) Section 8843.055;

1-51 (2) Section 8843.057;

1-52 (3) Section 8843.103;

1-53 (4) Section 8843.104;

1-54 (5) Section 8843.105;

1-55 (6) Section 8843.106; and

1-56 (7) Section 8843.154.

1-57 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-58 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-59 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-60 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-61 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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