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S.B. No. 1179

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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

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

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

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

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

(2) state:

(A) the boundaries of the proposed district;

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

(C) the necessity for the proposed district;

(D) the feasibility of the proposed district;

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.