(b) The district may not issue bonds payable from ad valorem taxes to finance a road project unless the issuance is approved by a vote of a two-thirds majority of the district voters voting at an election held for that purpose.

(c) At the time of issuance, the total principal amount of bonds or other obligations issued or incurred to finance road projects and payable from ad valorem taxes may not exceed one-fourth of the assessed value of real property in the district.

Sec. 9044.102. TAXES FOR BONDS. At the time the district issues bonds payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, the board shall provide for the annual imposition of a continuing direct ad valorem tax, without limit as to rate or amount, while all or part of the bonds are outstanding.

SECTION 2. The Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 19 retains all the rights, powers, privileges, authority, duties, and functions that it had before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. (a) The legislature validates and confirms all governmental acts and proceedings of the Hidalgo County Water Control and Improvement District No. 19 that were taken before the effective date of this Act.

(b) This section does not apply to any matter that on the effective date of this Act:

(1) is involved in litigation if the litigation ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final court judgment; or

(2) has been held invalid by a final court judgment.

SECTION 4. (a) The legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code.

(b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

(c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.

(d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on April 18, 2013: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 17, 2013. Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective June 14, 2013.

CHAPTER 285

H.B. No. 1043

AN ACT

relating to the offense of the unauthorized duplication of certain recordings.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 641.051, Business & Commerce Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

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(e) This section does not apply to a person engaged in radio or television broadcasting who transfers, or causes to be transferred, a recording:

(1) intended for or in connection with a radio or television broadcast; or

(2) for archival purposes.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Section 641.051, Business & Commerce Code, does not apply to an offense committed under that section before the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by that section as it existed on the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed by the House on April 18, 2013: Yeas 139, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 17, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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CHAPTER 286

H.B. No. 1106

AN ACT

relating to the identification and operation of vessels in the waters of this state.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 31.003(1), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) “Boat” means a vessel not more than 65 feet in length, measured from the tip of the bow in a straight line to the stern [end to end over the deck, excluding sheer].

SECTION 2. Section 31.0341(a), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Each county tax assessor-collector shall award certificates of number under this chapter in the manner prescribed by this chapter and the regulations of the department. [The department shall issue a block or blocks of numbers to each county tax assessor-collector for awarding to applicants on receipt of applications.]

SECTION 3. Section 31.039, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), all [All] ownership records of the department made or kept under this chapter are public records.

(c) An owner identifier as prescribed by 33 C.F.R. Section 174.17 is not a public record.

SECTION 4. Sections 31.040(a) and (b), Parks and Wildlife Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) Before the vessel is rented or let for hire, the [The] owner or operator of a vessel livery shall obtain a certificate of number for a vessel [all vessels] being used as a motorboat prior to being rented [motorboats to rent or let for hire].

(b) [To receive certificate of number, the owner of a vessel livery shall apply directly to the department on application forms provided by the department.] The application for the certificate of number under Section 31.021 or for a certificate of title under Section 31.046 must state that the applicant is a vessel livery within the meaning of this chapter [-, and the facts stated in the application must be sworn before an officer authorized to administer oaths].

SECTION 5. Section 31.047(b), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows: