

House Resolution 2033

By: Representative Taylor of the 92nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the importance of the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners in exercising
2 their lawful authority; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, an Act to create the Rockdale County Water and Sewerage Authority (Ga. L.
4 1995, p. 3994) provides that such authority shall be governed by a seven member board to
5 be appointed by the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners; and

6 WHEREAS, for a number of years the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners has failed
7 to appoint members to the Rockdale County Water and Sewerage Authority following the
8 expiration of the terms of prior authority members; and

9 WHEREAS, the failure to appoint new members has left certain seats on the authority's
10 board vacant and other seats occupied by holdover members for years beyond the expiration
11 of their original terms; and

12 WHEREAS, the failure to maintain a properly constituted board has created significant legal
13 uncertainty regarding the validity of the authority's official actions and has exposed the
14 authority and the county to potential legal liability; and

15 WHEREAS, the citizens of Rockdale County, who depend upon the authority for essential
16 water and sewerage services, deserve to be fully represented by duly appointed members of
17 the authority's board; and

18 WHEREAS, it is in the public interest that local governing authorities exercise their lawful
19 powers fully, faithfully, and in a timely manner.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 this body recognizes the importance of the Rockdale County Board of Commissioners in
22 exercising their lawful authority, and urges the board to promptly appoint qualified members
23 to all vacant seats on the Rockdale County Water and Sewerage Authority, including any
24 seats presently held by holdover members whose terms have expired.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
26 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the
27 Rockdale County Board of Commissioners.