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S.B. No. 2175

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to special purpose territory of the Orange County
Navigation and Port District of Orange County, Texas.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 5018, Special District Local Laws Code,
as effective April 1, 2021, is amended by adding Subchapter F to
read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER F. SPECIAL PURPOSE AREA

Sec. 5018.0301. DEFINITION. In this subchapter, "special
purpose area" means the territory described by Section 2 of the Act
enacting this subchapter.

Sec. 5018.0302. REPORTING OF CARGO AND VESSEL MOVEMENTS.

(a) Waterborne commercial cargo and vessel movements originating
in or departing from the special purpose area may be attributed as
waterborne commercial cargo or vessel movements originating in or
departing from the Port of Beaumont Navigation District of
Jefferson County, Texas, for the purpose of reporting to the United
States Army Corps of Engineers under applicable federal law.

(b) Waterborne commercial cargo and vessel movements
originating in or departing from the territory of the district not
including the special purpose area may be attributed as waterborne
commercial cargo or vessel movements originating in or departing
from the district for the purpose of reporting to the United States
Army Corps of Engineers under applicable federal law.

1 SECTION 2. The following tract is designated as a special
2 purpose area for the purposes of Subchapter F, Chapter 5018,
3 Special District Local Laws Code, as added by this Act:

4 BEING 265.4 ± acres of land, part of the Neches River, the
5 William Stephenson Survey, Abstract No. 23, and the Gilbert
6 Stevenson Survey, Abstract No. 167, Orange County, Texas; being all
7 of a (Called 250) acre tract of land, known as Tract 12, described
8 in a deed to Port of Beaumont Navigation District, recorded in
9 Volume 123, Page 376, Deed Records, Orange County, Texas, and all of
10 a (Called 108.9935) acre tract, described in a Quitclaim Deed to the
11 Port of Beaumont Navigation District, recorded in Volume 955, Page
12 34, Official Public Records, Orange County, Texas; said 265.4 ±
13 acre tract being more fully described by metes and follows as
14 follows, to wit:

15 BEGINNING at a half-inch steel rod, capped and marked
16 "SOUTEX", found on the southeasterly line of a 225' wide Kansas City
17 Southern Railway Company right of way, formerly Texarkana & Fort
18 Smith Railway Company, and the West line of a (Called 496.00) acre
19 tract of land, known as Parcel 1, described in a deed to Optimus
20 Steel, LLC, recorded in File No. 458665, Official Public Records,
21 Orange County, Texas, for the most northerly corner of the herein
22 described tract; said capped rod having coordinates of N:
23 10052007.85, E: 4274200.44;

24 THENCE, South 05 deg., 58 min., 02 sec., East, on the West
25 line of the (Called 496.00) acre tract, a distance of 1894.32' to a
26 3" steel pipe found for corner on the common line of the Gilbert
27 Stevenson Survey, Abstract No. 167 and the William Stephenson

1 Survey, Abstract No. 23; said steel pipe having coordinates of N:
2 10050123.79, E: 4274397.37;

3 THENCE, South 06 deg., 06 min., 36 sec., East, continuing on
4 the West line of the (Called 496.00) acre tract, and an extension
5 thereof, at 2271.95' passing a 1" steel pipe found for reference,
6 and continuing a total distance of 2729.68'± to a point on the
7 thread of the Neches River, for the Southeast corner of the herein
8 described tract; said point for corner being on the current
9 boundary of the Port of Beaumont Navigation District;

10 THENCE, in a northwesterly direction, on the thread of the
11 Neches River and the current limits of the Port of Beaumont
12 Navigation District, a distance of 5143'± to a point on the
13 southeasterly line of the 225' wide Kansas City Southern Railway
14 Company right of way, for the Southwest corner of the herein
15 described tract;

16 THENCE, North 45 deg. 36 min. 40 sec East, on the
17 southeasterly line of said Kansas City Southern Railway Company
18 right of way, a distance of 386.45'± to a point for corner;

19 THENCE, continuing on the southeasterly line of said Kansas
20 City Southern Railway Company right of way, on the arc of a curve to
21 the right, having a radius of 2785.00', an arc length of 477.92', a
22 chord bearing of North 50 deg., 07 min., 07 sec., East, a chord
23 distance of 477.33' to a point for corner;

24 THENCE, North 55 deg., 02 min., 05 sec., East, continuing on
25 the southeasterly line of said Kansas City Southern Railway right
26 of way, a distance of 4430.21' to the POINT OF BEGINNING and
27 containing 265.4 ± acres of land and water, more or less.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.