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H.B. No. 5397

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the name of the 3 B&J Municipal Utility District, the
3 powers, duties, operation, administration, and authorizing an ad
4 valorem tax.

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

6 SECTION 1. The name of 3 B&J Municipal Utility District is
7 changed to Williamson County Municipal Utility District No. 51.

8 SECTION 2. The heading to Chapter 8221, Special District
9 Local Laws Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 CHAPTER 8221. WILLIAMSON COUNTY [~~3 B&J~~] MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT
11 No. 51

12 SECTION 3. Sections 8221.001, 8221.202 Special District
13 Local Laws Code, are amended to read as follows:

14 Sec. 8221.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

15 (1) "Board" means the district's board of directors.

16 (2) "Director" means a board member.

17 (3) "District" means the Williamson County [~~3 B&J~~]
18 Municipal Utility District No. 51.

19 Sec. 8221.202 TAXES FOR BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS. At the
20 time bonds or other obligations payable wholly or partly from ad
21 valorem taxes are issued[+]

22 [~~(1)~~] the board shall provide for the annual
23 imposition of [~~impose~~] a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax,
24 without limit as to rate or amount, while all or part of the bonds

1 are outstanding as required and in the manner provided by Sections
2 54.601 and 54.602, Water Code [~~at a rate not to exceed the rate~~
3 ~~approved at an election held under Section 8221.151, for each year~~
4 ~~that all or part of the bonds are outstanding, and~~

5 ~~(2) the district annually shall impose an ad valorem~~
6 ~~tax on all taxable property in the district in an amount sufficient~~
7 ~~to:~~

8 ~~(A) pay the interest on the bonds or other~~
9 ~~obligations as the interest becomes due;~~

10 ~~(B) create a sinking fund for the payment of the~~
11 ~~principal of the bonds or other obligations when due or the~~
12 ~~redemption price at any earlier required redemption date; and~~

13 ~~(C) pay the expenses of imposing the taxes].~~

14 SECTION 4. Sections 8221.003(b), 8221.105, 8221.106,
15 8221.107, and 8221.108, Special District Local Laws Code, are
16 repealed.

17 SECTION 5. The District retains all the rights, powers,
18 privileges, authority, duties, and functions that it had before the
19 effective date of this Act.

20 SECTION 6. (a) The legislature validates and confirms all
21 governmental acts and proceedings of the District that were taken
22 before the effective date of this Act.

23 (b) The legislature validates and confirms all governmental
24 acts and proceedings relating to the creation and the consent to the
25 creation of the District.

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

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

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

5 SECTION 7. (a) The legal notice of the intention to
6 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this
7 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a
8 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,
9 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished
10 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,
11 Government Code.

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

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

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

23 SECTION 8. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
25 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
26 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
27 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.