BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, port authorities are not included under the Navigation Act. As proposed, S.B. 553 validates and confirms all acts and governmental proceedings, officials, bonds, and obligations of navigation districts and port authorities.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. DEFINITION. Defines "district."

SECTION 2. VALIDATION. Provides that any act, governmental proceeding, official, bond, or obligation of a navigation district or port authority is validated and confirmed in all respects.

SECTION 3. APPLICABILITY. (a) Provides that Section 2 of this Act does not apply to certain acts, governmental proceedings, officials, bonds, or obligations.

(b) Provides that this Act does not validate any governmental act or proceeding that constitutes a crime.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2003.