BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, Jasper and Newton counties do not have a groundwater conservation district. As proposed, S.B. 1888 create the Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District to serve Jasper and Newton counties. The district will have powers commonly granted to conservation districts.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

S.B. 1888, which creates the Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation district to serve Jasper and Newton counties, contains the following sections:

- SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.
- SECTION 2. CREATION.
- SECTION 3. AUTHORITY FOR CREATION.
- SECTION 4. FINDING OF BENEFIT AND PUBLIC PURPOSE.
- SECTION 5. BOUNDARIES.
- SECTION 6. GENERAL POWERS.
- SECTION 7. ADDITIONAL POWERS; LIMITATIONS ON POWERS.
- SECTION 8. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER LAW.
- SECTION 9. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
- SECTION 10. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTORS.
- SECTION 11. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING.
- SECTION 12. LANDOWNERS' RIGHTS.
- SECTION 13. CONFIRMATION ELECTION.
- SECTION 14. ADDITION OF OTHER COUNTIES TO DISTRICT.
- SECTION 15. FINDINGS RELATED TO PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS.

SECTION 16. EFFECTIVE DATE. Effective date: September 1, 2003.