

1-1 By: Eiland (Senate Sponsor - Janek) H.B. No. 917
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 7, 2003;
1-3 April 9, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Natural
1-4 Resources; May 19, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote:
1-5 Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 19, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the authority of counties and municipalities to incur
1-9 debt to participate in erosion response projects undertaken by the
1-10 General Land Office.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Section 421.002, Local Government Code, is
1-13 amended to read as follows:

1-14 Sec. 421.002. AUTHORIZED PROJECTS; DEBT. (a) The
1-15 commissioners court of the county or the municipal authority of the
1-16 municipality may:

1-17 (1) establish, construct, extend, maintain, or
1-18 improve a seawall, breakwater, levee, floodway, or drainway; ~~and~~

1-19 (2) improve, maintain, or beautify a boulevard erected
1-20 in connection with the seawall, breakwater, levee, floodway, or
1-21 drainway;

1-22 (3) participate as a qualified project partner for an
1-23 erosion response project undertaken by the General Land Office, as
1-24 those terms are defined in Section 33.601, Natural Resources Code;
1-25 and

1-26 (4) undertake or contribute to the funding of
1-27 shoreline or beach renourishment projects on Texas bays or public
1-28 beaches.

1-29 (b) The commissioners court or municipal authority may
1-30 incur debt for a purpose authorized under Subsection (a).

1-31 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-32 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-33 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-34 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-35 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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