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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to the creation, administration, powers, duties,
- 3 operation, and financing of the Northeast Williamson County Utility
- 4 District.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS. In this Act:
- 7 (1) "Board" means the board of directors of the
- 8 district.
- 9 (2) "Commission" means the Texas Commission on
- 10 Environmental Quality.
- 11 (3) "District" means the Northeast Williamson County
- 12 Utility District.
- 13 SECTION 2. CREATION. (a) A conservation and reclamation
- 14 district, to be known as the Northeast Williamson County Utility
- 15 District, is created in Williamson County, subject to approval at a
- 16 confirmation election under Section 12 of this Act.
- 17 (b) The district is a governmental agency and a political
- 18 subdivision of this state.
- 19 SECTION 3. AUTHORITY FOR CREATION. The district is created
- 20 under and is essential to accomplish the purposes of Section 59,
- 21 Article XVI, Texas Constitution.
- 22 SECTION 4. FINDING OF BENEFIT AND PUBLIC PURPOSE. (a) The
- 23 district is created to serve a public use and benefit.
- (b) All of the land and other property included within the

- 1 boundaries of the district will be benefited by the works and
- 2 projects that are to be accomplished by the district under powers
- 3 conferred by Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.
- 4 SECTION 5. BOUNDARIES. The district includes the territory
- 5 contained within the following area in Williamson County:
- 6 Being 208.777 acres of land situated in the Robert McNutt
- 7 Survey, Abstract No. 422, Williamson County, Texas, and being all
- 8 of a called 15-acre tract and a portion of a called 84.88 acre tract
- 9 both being described under Document No. 9903832 in the Official
- 10 Records of Williamson County, Texas (O.R.W.C.T.); a portion of a
- 11 called 15-acre tract described under Document No. 993830 in the
- O.R.W.C.T.; all of a called 64.01-acre tract and all of a 0.6-acre
- 13 tract both being described under Document No. 2000067229 in the
- 14 O.R.W.C.T.; all of a called 22.0-acre tract described as Tract 3
- under Document No. 2000067229 in the O.R.W.C.T. and further defined
- in Volume 648, Page 33 of the Williamson County Deed Records; and
- 17 all of that called 22.0-acre tract as described in Volume 648, Page
- 18 447 of the Williamson County Deed Records. Said 208.777 acres being
- 19 more particularly described as follows with bearings herein are
- 20 based on the east line of said 84.88 acre tract being South 00°21'00"
- 21 West;
- 22 BEGINNING at the northwest corner of said 15 acre tract
- 23 described under Document No. 9903832 and being on the south
- 24 right-of-way line of CR 109;
- THENCE, South 89°51'30" East, 1581.34 feet, along said south
- 26 right-of-way line to a point for corner and being the northwest
- 27 corner of a called 3.0176 acre tract of land as described under

- 1 Document No. 9903832 of the O.R.W.C.T.;
- 2 THENCE, South $00^{\circ}06'43''$ West, 137.41 feet to a point for
- 3 corner of the herein-described tract;
- 4 THENCE, North 89°28'10" West, 28.26 feet to a point for corner
- 5 of the herein-described tract;
- 6 THENCE, South 00°31'50" West, 34.10 feet to a point for corner
- 7 of the herein-described tract;
- 8 THENCE, South 89°28'10" East, 28.51 feet to a point for corner
- 9 of the herein-described tract;
- 10 THENCE, South $00^{\circ}06'43''$ West, 228.46 feet to a point for
- 11 corner of the herein-described tract;
- 12 THENCE, North 89°59'47" East, 326.37 feet to a point for
- 13 corner of the herein-described tract;
- 14 THENCE, North 00°10'01" East, 399.14 feet to a point for
- 15 corner of the herein-described tract and being on the
- aforementioned south right-of-way line of CR 109;
- 17 THENCE, South 89°51'30" East, 150.96 feet along said south
- 18 right-of-way line to a point for corner;
- 19 THENCE, South 87°35'00" East, 164.00 feet continuing along
- 20 said right-of-way line to a point for corner;
- THENCE, South $80^{\circ}43'00"$ East, 119.43 feet to the northeast
- 22 corner of the herein-described tract;
- THENCE, South $00^{\circ}21'00"$ West, 2341.04 feet to a point for
- 24 corner of the herein-described tract and marking the southeast
- corner of the aforementioned 84.88 acre tract;
- THENCE, South $89^{\circ}40'30''$ West, 687.90 feet to a point for
- 27 corner of the herein-described tract;

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- 1 THENCE, South $00^{\circ}06'00''$ East, 2328.81 feet to a point for
- 2 corner of the herein-described tract and marking the southeast
- 3 corner of the aforementioned 64.01 acre tract;
- 4 THENCE, South $89^{\circ}59'37''$ West, 1778.50 feet to a point for
- 5 corner of the herein-described tract located on the east
- 6 right-of-way line of CR 110 and marking the southwest corner of said
- 7 64.01 acre tract;
- 8 THENCE, North $00^{\circ}02'30''$ East, 2143.96 feet along the east
- 9 right-of-way line of said CR 110 to a point for corner of the
- 10 herein-described tract;
- 11 THENCE, along the right-of-way line of said CR 110 the
- 12 following seven (7) courses and distances:
- 13 1) North 03°19'30" West, 100.00 feet to a point for corner;
- 14 2) North $14^{\circ}36'30''$ West, 86.40 feet to a point for corner;
- 15 3) North $14^{\circ}36'29''$ West, 13.60 feet to a point for corner;
- 16 4) North $30^{\circ}40'00''$ West, 100.00 feet to a point for corner;
- 17 5) North $43^{\circ}17'00''$ West, 100.00 feet to a point for corner;
- 18 6) North $48^{\circ}00'30''$ West, 119.00 feet to a point for corner;
- 19 7) North $43^{\circ}31'00''$ West, 24.18 feet to a point for corner and
- 20 marking the most westerly corner of the aforementioned 0.6-acre
- 21 tract;
- THENCE, East, 987.56 feet leaving said east right-of-way line
- of CR 110 to a point for corner of the herein-described tract;
- 24 THENCE, North 00°16'01" East, 720.17 feet to a point for
- 25 corner of the herein-described tract;
- THENCE, West, 390.20 feet to a point for corner of the
- 27 herein-described tract;

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- 1 THENCE, North, 397.91 feet to a point for corner of the
- 2 herein-described tract and marking the northeast corner of the
- 3 aforementioned 15 acre tract as recorded under Document No.
- 4 9903830 of the O.R.W.C.T.;
- 5 THENCE, West, 210.73 feet to a point for corner of the
- 6 herein-described tract and marking the southwest corner of the
- 7 aforementioned 15 acre tract as described under Document No.
- 8 9903832 of the O.R.W.C.T.;
- 9 THENCE, North, 990.59 feet along to the POINT OF BEGINNING
- and containing a computed area of 208.777 acres (9,094,308 Square
- 11 Feet) of land.
- 12 SECTION 6. FINDINGS RELATIVE TO BOUNDARIES. The
- 13 legislature finds that the boundaries and field notes of the
- 14 district form a closure. If a mistake is made in the field notes or
- in copying the field notes in the legislative process, the mistake
- does not affect in any way:
- 17 (1) the organization, existence, or validity of the
- 18 district;
- 19 (2) the right of the district to impose taxes; or
- 20 (3) the legality or operation of the district or the
- 21 board.
- 22 SECTION 7. GENERAL POWERS. (a) The district has all of the
- 23 rights, powers, privileges, authority, functions, and duties
- 24 provided by the general law of this state, including Chapters 30,
- 25 49, 50, and 54, Water Code, applicable to municipal utility
- 26 districts created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas
- 27 Constitution.

- (b) The rights, powers, privileges, authority, functions, 1 and duties of the district are subject to the continuing right of 2 3 supervision of the state to be exercised by and through the 4 commission. SECTION 8. APPLICABILITY OF OTHER LAW. This Act prevails 5 6 over any provision of general law that is in conflict or inconsistent with this Act. 7 SECTION 9. BOARD OF DIRECTORS. (a) 8 The district governed by a board of five directors. 9
- 10 (b) Temporary directors serve until initial directors are 11 elected under Section 12 of this Act.
- 12 (c) Initial directors serve until the election of permanent 13 directors under Section 13 of this Act.
- 14 (d) Permanent directors serve staggered four-year terms.
- 15 (e) Each director must qualify to serve as director in the 16 manner provided by Section 49.055, Water Code.
- SECTION 10. TEMPORARY DIRECTORS. (a) The temporary board consists of:
- 19 (1) _____;
 20 (2) _____;
 21 (3) _____;
 22 (4) _____; and
 23 (5) .
- (b) If a temporary director fails to qualify for office, the temporary directors who have qualified shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy. If at any time there are fewer than three qualified temporary directors, the commission shall appoint the

- 1 necessary number of persons to fill all vacancies on the board.
- 2 (c) A temporary director shall take the oath of office and
- 3 execute a bond to qualify for holding office as soon as practicable
- 4 after the effective date of this Act.
- 5 (d) A temporary director is not required to own land in or be
- 6 a resident of the district.
- 7 (e) Until initial directors are elected and qualified to
- 8 hold office, the temporary directors shall exercise all rights,
- 9 powers, privileges, authority, functions, and duties conferred on
- 10 the district by general law, including Chapters 49 and 54, Water
- 11 Code.
- 12 SECTION 11. METHOD OF ELECTING DIRECTORS. Directors shall
- 13 be elected at large.
- 14 SECTION 12. CONFIRMATION AND INITIAL DIRECTORS ELECTION.
- 15 (a) The temporary board shall hold an election to confirm
- 16 establishment of the district and to elect five initial directors
- 17 as provided by Section 49.102, Water Code.
- 18 (b) At the confirmation election the board may submit to the
- 19 voters a proposition to authorize:
- 20 (1) the issuance of bonds;
- 21 (2) a maintenance tax; or
- 22 (3) a tax to make payments under a contract.
- (c) The initial directors elected shall draw lots to
- 24 determine which two directors shall serve terms lasting until the
- 25 first regularly scheduled directors election under Section 13 of
- 26 this Act and which three shall serve until the second regularly
- 27 scheduled directors election.

- 1 (d) Section 41.001(a), Election Code, does not apply to a
- 2 confirmation and initial directors election held under this
- 3 section.
- 4 SECTION 13. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS. (a) On the first
- 5 Saturday in May of the first even-numbered year after the year in
- 6 which the district is authorized to be created at a confirmation
- 7 election, an election shall be held in the district to elect two
- 8 directors.
- 9 (b) On the first Saturday in May of each subsequent
- 10 even-numbered year, the appropriate number of directors shall be
- 11 elected.
- 12 SECTION 14. FINDINGS RELATED TO PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS.
- 13 (a) The legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act,
- 14 setting forth the general substance of this Act, has been published
- as provided by law, and the notice and a copy of this Act have been
- 16 furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which
- 17 they are required to be furnished under Section 59, Article XVI,
- 18 Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code.
- 19 (b) The governor has submitted the notice and Act to the
- 20 commission.
- 21 (c) The commission has filed its recommendations relating
- 22 to this Act with the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of
- the house of representatives within the required time.
- 24 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
- 25 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
- to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
- 27 and accomplished.

- 1 SECTION 15. EFFECTIVE DATE; EXPIRATION DATE. (a) This Act
- 2 takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all
- 3 the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39,
- 4 Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the
- 5 vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect
- 6 September 1, 2003.
- 7 (b) If the creation of the district is not confirmed at a
- 8 confirmation election held under Section 12 of this Act before
- 9 September 1, 2007, this Act expires on that date.