

1-1 By: Staples, Williams S.B. No. 526  
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1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;  
1-4 March 31, 2003, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 526 By: Staples

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the San Jacinto River Authority board of directors.  
1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
1-12 SECTION 1. Section 6, Chapter 426, Acts of the 45th  
1-13 Legislature, Regular Session, 1937, is amended to read as follows:  
1-14 Sec. 6. The management and control of all the affairs of  
1-15 said District shall be vested in, and the powers, rights,  
1-16 privileges, and functions of the District shall be exercised by a  
1-17 Board of Directors consisting of six (6) members, all of whom shall  
1-18 be freehold property taxpayers and legal voters of the State of  
1-19 Texas and four (4) of whom shall be residents of a county wholly  
1-20 encompassed by the District. Members of such Board of Directors  
1-21 shall be appointed by the Governor [~~State Board of Water Engineers~~]  
1-22 for terms of six (6) years. Provided, the present Board of six (6)  
1-23 directors of said District, appointed by the State Board of Water  
1-24 Engineers under authority of House Bill No. 1094, Chapter 613, Acts  
1-25 of the Regular Session of the Forty-seventh Legislature, amending  
1-26 Section 6 of Chapter 426, Acts of the Regular Session of the  
1-27 Forty-fifth Legislature, as amended by House Bill No. 828, Chapter  
1-28 480, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-seventh Legislature,  
1-29 for terms of two (2), four (4), and six (6) years, shall continue to  
1-30 serve as such until the expiration of the respective terms for which  
1-31 they were appointed. Upon the expiration of the terms for which the  
1-32 present members of the Board of Directors were appointed, the  
1-33 successors of each and all of them shall be appointed by the  
1-34 Governor [~~State Board of Water Engineers~~] for a term of six (6)  
1-35 years.  
1-36 The Directors shall hold office after their appointment and  
1-37 qualification until their successors shall be appointed and  
1-38 qualified. Should any vacancy occur in the Board of Directors, the  
1-39 same shall be filled in like manner by the Governor [~~State Board of~~  
1-40 ~~Water Engineers~~] for the unexpired term. The Directors appointed  
1-41 shall, within thirty (30) days after their appointment, qualify by  
1-42 taking the official oath required of County Commissioners, and  
1-43 shall execute bond in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000)  
1-44 payable to the District, the sufficiency of which bond shall be  
1-45 determined by the Governor [~~State Board of Water Engineers~~], which  
1-46 bonds after being recorded in the official bond records of the  
1-47 county in which the District maintains its office shall be  
1-48 deposited with the depository selected and approved for the deposit  
1-49 of the funds of the District.  
1-50 The Board of Directors shall organize by electing one of its  
1-51 members President, one Vice-President, one Secretary, and one  
1-52 Treasurer. Four (4) members, including the presiding officer,  
1-53 shall constitute a quorum to transact business. The President  
1-54 shall preside at all meetings of the Board and shall be the chief  
1-55 executive officer of the District. The Vice-President shall act as  
1-56 President in case of the absence or disability of the President.  
1-57 The Secretary shall act as Secretary of the Board and shall be  
1-58 charged with the duty of keeping a record of all proceedings and all  
1-59 orders of the Board. The Treasurer shall receive and receipt for  
1-60 all moneys received by the District and shall keep books and records  
1-61 of all moneys received and expended. In case of the absence or  
1-62 inability of the Secretary to act, a Secretary pro tem shall be  
1-63 selected by the Directors.

2-1 The domicile of the District shall be in the City of Conroe,  
2-2 in the County of Montgomery, Texas, where the District shall  
2-3 maintain its principal office. The Board of Directors shall have  
2-4 authority to fix the time, place and number of meetings of such  
2-5 Board by proper resolutions, regulations and bylaws passed by said  
2-6 Board. Said Board shall cause to be kept complete and accurate  
2-7 accounts conforming to approved methods of bookkeeping. Said  
2-8 accounts and all contracts, documents, and records of the District  
2-9 shall be kept at said principal office, and same shall be open to  
2-10 public inspection at all reasonable times.

2-11 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act to Section 6,  
2-12 Chapter 426, Acts of the 45th Legislature, Regular Session, 1937,  
2-13 relating to the appointment and qualifications of members of the  
2-14 board of directors of the San Jacinto River Authority do not affect  
2-15 the entitlement of a member of the board of directors serving  
2-16 immediately before the effective date of this Act to continue to  
2-17 serve on the board of directors for the term to which the member was  
2-18 appointed. As the terms of the members of the board of directors  
2-19 expire or as vacancies on the board of directors occur, the governor  
2-20 shall make appointments to the board of directors as provided by  
2-21 Section 6, Chapter 426, Acts of the 45th Legislature, Regular  
2-22 Session, 1937, as amended by this Act.

2-23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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