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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

relating to service of process and to the ability to sue and be sued
of a sports and community venue district.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 335, Local Government
Code, is amended by adding Section 335.005 to read as follows:

Sec. 335.005. SUITS; SERVICE OF PROCESS. A district,
through its board, may sue and be sued in any court of this state in
the name of the district. Service of process on a district may be
had by serving either the current chairman of the board or the
current chief executive officer of the district or its registered
agent designated by the district by filing a statement with the
office of the secretary of state setting forth: (i) the name of
the district, and (ii) the name and address of the district's
registered agent, which address must be in the State of Texas. The
statement shall be executed on behalf of the district by an officer
of the district. A district may change the name and address of its
registered agent by filing another statement with the office of the
secretary of state. Upon such filing, the prior registered agent
for the district shall cease to be the registered agent for the
district and service of process may not be had by serving the prior
registered agent.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.