

1-1 By: Whitmire S.B. No. 1811
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 14, 2003; March 24, 2003, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental
1-4 Relations; May 2, 2003, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0;
1-6 May 2, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1811 By: Gallegos

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

1-10 relating to service of process and to the ability to sue and be sued
1-11 of a sports and community venue district.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 335, Local Government
1-14 Code, is amended by adding Section 335.005 to read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 335.005. SUITS; SERVICE OF PROCESS. A district,
1-16 through its board, may sue and be sued in any court of this state in
1-17 the name of the district. Service of process on a district may be
1-18 had by serving either the current chairman of the board or the
1-19 current chief executive officer of the district or its registered
1-20 agent designated by the district by filing a statement with the
1-21 office of the secretary of state setting forth: (i) the name of
1-22 the district, and (ii) the name and address of the district's
1-23 registered agent, which address must be in the State of Texas. The
1-24 statement shall be executed on behalf of the district by an officer
1-25 of the district. A district may change the name and address of its
1-26 registered agent by filing another statement with the office of the
1-27 secretary of state. Upon such filing, the prior registered agent
1-28 for the district shall cease to be the registered agent for the
1-29 district and service of process may not be had by serving the prior
1-30 registered agent.

1-31 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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