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S.B. No. 1903

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the creation and authority of municipal development districts.

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

SECTION 1. Subdivision (3), Section 377.001, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(3) "Development project" means:

(A) ~~means~~

~~(i)~~ a "project" as that term is defined by Section 4B(a), Development Corporation Act of 1979 (Article 5190.6, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); or

(B) ~~and (ii)~~ a convention center facility or related improvement such as a convention center, civic center, civic center building, civic center hotel, or auditorium, including ~~and~~

~~(B) includes~~ parking areas or facilities that are used to park vehicles and that are located at or in the vicinity of other convention center facilities.

SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 377, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 377.003 to read as follows:

Sec. 377.003. CONSTITUTIONAL PURPOSE. This chapter creates a program under Section 52-a, Article III, Texas Constitution.

SECTION 3. Subsection (b), Section 377.021, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

1 (b) The order calling the election must:

2 (1) define the boundaries of the district to include
3 all or part of the area contained in the boundaries of the
4 municipality and the municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction;
5 and

6 (2) call for the election to be held within those
7 boundaries.

8 SECTION 4. Subsection (a), Section 377.022, Local
9 Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

10 (a) A district is a political subdivision of this state and
11 of the municipality that called the election creating [~~in which~~]
12 the district [~~is located~~].

13 SECTION 5. Subsections (b) and (d), Section 377.051, Local
14 Government Code, are amended to read as follows:

15 (b) The board is appointed by the governing body of the
16 municipality that called the election creating [~~in which~~] the
17 district [~~is located~~].

18 (d) To qualify to serve as a director, a person must be a
19 resident of the municipality that called the election creating [~~in~~
20 ~~which~~] the district or of that municipality's extraterritorial
21 jurisdiction [~~is located~~]. An employee, officer, or member of the
22 governing body of the municipality may serve as a director, but may
23 not have a personal interest in a contract executed by the district
24 other than as an employee, officer, or member of the governing body
25 of the municipality.

26 SECTION 6. Section 377.053, Local Government Code, is
27 amended to read as follows:

1 Sec. 377.053. MEETINGS. The board shall conduct its
2 meetings in the municipality that called the election creating [~~in~~
3 ~~which~~] the district [~~is located~~].

4 SECTION 7. Section 377.002, Local Government Code, is
5 repealed.

6 SECTION 8. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.