By: Bonnen H.B. No. 1097

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the validation of any act, governmental proceeding,
- 3 official, bond, or obligation of a navigation district or port
- 4 authority or a corporation of the district or authority.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. DEFINITION. In this Act, "district" means a
- 7 navigation district or port authority created under Section 52,
- 8 Article III, or Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, a
- 9 local government corporation or port development corporation of a
- 10 district or port authority, or other public port authority.
- 11 SECTION 2. VALIDATION. The following are validated and
- 12 confirmed in all respects:
- 13 (1) any act or governmental proceeding of a district
- 14 not excepted in this Act taken before March 1, 2005, as of the date
- on which it occurred;
- 16 (2) any commissioner or other official of a district,
- 17 whether elected or appointed, who took office before the effective
- 18 date of this Act; and
- 19 (3) any bond or other obligation of a district
- 20 authorized before the effective date of this Act, including any
- 21 proceeding taken before the effective date of this Act that is
- 22 related to that bond or other obligation, regardless of whether the
- 23 bond or obligation is:
- 24 (A) payable from tax revenue or otherwise; or

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- 1 (B) issued on or before the effective date of
- 2 this Act.
- 3 SECTION 3. APPLICABILITY. (a) Section 2 of this Act does
- 4 not apply to:
- 5 (1) an act, proceeding, commissioner, other official,
- 6 bond, or other obligation the validity of which or of whom is the
- 7 subject of litigation that is pending on the effective date of this
- 8 Act;
- 9 (2) an act or proceeding relating to the conveyance by
- 10 a district of any interest in real property that had originally been
- 11 patented or otherwise conveyed to the district by the state if the
- 12 act or proceeding by the district violated a restriction or
- 13 condition of the patent or other conveyance from the state; or
- 14 (3) an act or proceeding that violated Section 61.117,
- 15 Water Code.
- 16 (b) This Act does not validate any governmental act or
- 17 proceeding that, under the law of this state at the time the act or
- 18 proceeding occurred, was a misdemeanor or a felony.
- 19 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect
- 20 September 1, 2005.