BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 4018 amends the powers of the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 416 (district) to provide the district with limited road powers pursuant to Section 52 (Counties, Cities or Other Political Corporations or Subdivisions; Lending Credit; Grant; Bonds), Article III, Texas Constitution. The district lies within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston in Harris County, Texas.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 8255, as follows:

CHAPTER 8255. HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 416

Sets forth standard language regarding the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 416 (district). Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Definitions, nature of the district, and findings of benefit and public purpose (Sections 8255.001 - 8255.050);

Powers and duties of the district, including authority relating to road projects (Section 8255.051 - 8255.100); and

General financial provisions and authority to impose taxes and to issue bonds and obligations for the district (Sections 8255.101 - 8255.150).

Authorizes the use of eminent domain by the district.

SECTION 2. Provides that the district retains all the rights, powers, privileges, authority, duties, and functions that the district had before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. Provides that all requirements of the constitution and the laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 4. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.