

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 683
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Natural Resources
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The proposed area of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 182 (district) encompasses an area of land outside the corporate limits of any city and within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Fulshear, Fort Bend County, Texas. The land located within the district is single family residential and commercial development; therefore there is a need to secure roads.

S.B. 683 provides regulations regarding the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 182 (district). It provides for additional powers for the district related to the construction, maintenance, operation, and financing of roads or turnpikes. S.B. 683 empowers the district, under Chapters 49 (Provisions Applicable to All Districts) and 54 (Municipal Utility Districts), Water Code, and Section 52(b)(3), Article III, Texas Constitution, to purchase, acquire, or construct facilities for roads to serve the future occupants of the land utilizing tax-exempt bonds.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 8176, as follows:

CHAPTER 8176. FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 182

Sets forth standard language for the creation of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District (district) in Fort Bend County. Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Creation of the district and applicability of other law (Sections 8176.001-8176.003);

Additional powers and duties of and compliance with municipal consent ordinances or resolutions (Sections 8176.051-8176.052);

General financial provisions and the authority to issue bonds and obligations (Sections 8176.101-8176.151).

Does not authorize the use of eminent domain by the district.

Sections 8176.004-8176.050, 8176.053-8176.100, 8176.102-8176.150 reserved for expansion.

SECTION 2. Provides that all requirements of the constitution, the laws of this state, and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of the Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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