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(In the Senate - Received from the House May 14, 2007; May 15, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; May 18, 2007, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 3, Nays 0; May 18, 2007, sent to
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         printer.)
                                       A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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                                                 AN ACT
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         relating to the powers and duties of the Fort Bend County Municipal
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         Utility District No. 58; providing authority to impose a tax and
         issue bonds.
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                 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
         SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Chapter 8253 to read as follows:
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          CHAPTER 8253. FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 58
SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS
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                        8253.001.
                                     DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:
                               "Board" means the board of directors of
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                        (1)
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         district.
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                               "Director" means a board member.
"District" means the Fort Bend County Municipal
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         Utility District No. 58.
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                 Sec. 8253.002. NATURE OF DISTRICT.
                                                                  (a) The district is a
                      utility district created under and essential to
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         <u>municipal</u>
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         accomplish
                         the
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                                purposes of
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         Constitution.
                 (b) The
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                              district, to the extent authorized by Section
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         8253.052 and Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, has road
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         powers.
                Sec. 8253.003. FINDINGS OF BENEFIT AND PUBLIC PURPOSE. All and other property in the district will benefit from the
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         improvements and services to be provided by the district.
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                   [Sections 8253.004-8253.050 reserved for expansion]
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                   SUBCHAPTER B. POWERS AND DUTIES
ec. 8253.051. MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT POWERS AND
(a) The district has the powers and duties provided by the
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         general law of this state, including Chapters 49 and 54, Water Code,
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         applicable to municipal utility districts created under Section 59,
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         Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

(b) The district has the powers and duties necessary to accomplish the purposes for which the district is created.
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                 Sec. 8253.052. ROAD PROJECTS. (a)
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                                                                      Under Section
         Article III, Texas Constitution, the district may finance,
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         construct, or acquire a road project as provided by this section.

(b) The district shall employ or contract with a licensed engineer to certify whether a proposed road project meets the
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         criteria for a thoroughfare, arterial, or collector road of:
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    a county in whose jurisdiction the proposed road

         project is located; or
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                                 municipality in whose corporate limits or jurisdiction the proposed road project is
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         <u>extraterritorial</u>
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         located.
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                 (c)
                        The district may finance, construct, or acquire a road
         that has been certified by the licensed engineer as a thoroughfare,
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         arterial, or collector road, or any improvements in aid of the road.

(d) A road project must meet all applicable standards,
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         regulations, ordinances, or orders of:
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                         (1) each municipality in whose corporate limits or
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         extraterritorial jurisdiction the road project is located; and
                      (2) each county in which the road project is located if project is not located in the corporate limits of a
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              road
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         municipality.
         (e) The district may, with the consent of the municipality or county, convey a completed road project to:
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(1) a municipality in whose corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction the road project is located; or (2) a county in which the road project is located.

[Sections 8253.053-8253.100 reserved for expansion]

SUBCHAPTER C. BONDS AUTHORITY TO ISSUE Sec. 8253.101. BONDS AND OBLIGATIONS FOR ROAD PROJECTS. (a) The district may issue bonds or other obligations payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, impact fees, revenue, grants, or other district money, or any combination of those sources, to pay for road projects as provided by Section 8253.052.

(b) The district may not issue bonds payable from ad valorem taxes to finance a road project unless the issuance is approved by a vote of a two-thirds majority of district voters voting at an

election held for that purpose.

(c) The total principal amount of bonds, notes, or other obligations issued or incurred to finance the road projects may not exceed one-fourth of the assessed value of the real property in the district according to the most recent certified appraisal roll for Fort Bend County.

SECTION 2. The Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District

No. 58 retains all the rights, powers, privileges, authority, duties, and functions that it had before the effective date of this

SECTION 3. (a) The legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code.

- (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission Environmental Quality.
- (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house representatives within the required time.
- (d) All requirements of the constitution and 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. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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