

1-1 By: Hegar S.B. No. 1953  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 19, 2007; March 27, 2007, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Natural Resources;  
1-4 April 19, 2007, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
1-5 Nays 0; April 19, 2007, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the name, commissioners, and powers of the Aransas  
1-9 County Navigation District No. 1.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. The heading to Chapter 5001, Special District  
1-12 Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-13 CHAPTER 5001. ARANSAS COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT [~~NO. 1~~]

1-14 SECTION 2. Section 5001.001, Special District Local Laws  
1-15 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-16 Sec. 5001.001. DEFINITIONS [~~DEFINITION~~]. In this chapter:

1-17 (1) "Commission" means the navigation and canal  
1-18 commission of the district.

1-19 (2) "Commissioner" means a member of the commission.

1-20 (3) "District" [~~,"district"~~] means the Aransas County  
1-21 Navigation District [~~No. 1~~].

1-22 SECTION 3. Chapter 5001, Special District Local Laws Code,  
1-23 is amended by adding Subchapter A-1 to read as follows:

1-24 SUBCHAPTER A-1. COMMISSION

1-25 Sec. 5001.021. COMMISSION; TERMS. (a) The district is  
1-26 governed by a commission consisting of five elected commissioners.

1-27 (b) Commissioners serve staggered four-year terms of  
1-28 office, with two or three commissioners' terms expiring January 1  
1-29 of each odd-numbered year.

1-30 (c) One commissioner is elected from each Aransas County  
1-31 commissioners precinct and one commissioner is elected from the  
1-32 district at large.

1-33 Sec. 5001.022. ELECTION OF COMMISSIONERS. On the uniform  
1-34 election date in November of each even-numbered year, the  
1-35 appropriate number of commissioners shall be elected.

1-36 Sec. 5001.023. COMPENSATION OF COMMISSIONERS.  
1-37 Notwithstanding Section 62.070, Water Code, the commission shall  
1-38 set the amount of the compensation, office and travel expenses, and  
1-39 other allowances for the commissioners, other district officers,  
1-40 and employees who are paid wholly from district money.

1-41 SECTION 4. Section 5001.051, Special District Local Laws  
1-42 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-43 Sec. 5001.051. DEFINITION [~~DEFINITIONS~~]. In this  
1-44 subchapter, "fund" [~~,"~~

1-45 (1) ~~"Commission" means the navigation and canal~~  
1-46 ~~commission of the district.~~

1-47 (2) ~~"Fund"~~] means a promotion and development fund  
1-48 created by the district.

1-49 SECTION 5. Chapter 5001, Special District Local Laws Code,  
1-50 is amended by adding Subchapter C to read as follows:

1-51 SUBCHAPTER C. PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

1-52 Sec. 5001.101. PURCHASE OR LEASE OF PROPERTY. The district  
1-53 may purchase or lease property in the same manner as a county.

1-54 SECTION 6. (a) The changes in law made by this Act do not  
1-55 affect the selection of the members of the navigation and canal  
1-56 commission of the Aransas County Navigation District serving before  
1-57 January 1, 2008.

1-58 (b) Notwithstanding Section 5001.022, Special District  
1-59 Local Laws Code, as added by this Act, on the uniform election date  
1-60 in November 2007, five members of the navigation and canal  
1-61 commission of the Aransas County Navigation District shall be  
1-62 elected. The members must possess the qualifications provided by  
1-63 Subsection (c), Section 5001.021, Special District Local Laws Code,  
1-64 as added by this Act. The members elected take office January 1,

2-1 2008. The terms of the members elected from Aransas County  
2-2 commissioners precincts 1 and 3 expire January 1, 2009. The terms  
2-3 of the members elected from Aransas County commissioners precincts  
2-4 2 and 4 and of the member elected from the district at large expire  
2-5 January 1, 2011.

2-6 (c) The term of a member of the navigation and canal  
2-7 commission of the Aransas County Navigation District serving on  
2-8 December 31, 2007, expires on January 1, 2008.

2-9 (d) On the uniform election date in November of each  
2-10 even-numbered year, the appropriate number of members of the  
2-11 navigation and canal commission of the Aransas County Navigation  
2-12 District shall be elected to four-year terms as provided by  
2-13 Subchapter A-1, Chapter 5001, Special District Local Laws Code, as  
2-14 added by this Act.

2-15 SECTION 7. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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