BILL ANALYSIS

H.J.R. 83 By: Rose Ways & Means Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

In the 78th Legislative Session, S.J.R. 30, and its enabling legislation, S.B. 624, authorized conservation and reclamation districts in certain counties to issue bonds for the creation of recreational facilities.

As filed, H.J.R. 83 amends the Texas Constitution to add Hays County to list of counties where the development of parks and recreational facilities would be recognized as a constitutionally authorized power of water districts, and therefore eligible for tax-backed bond financing.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

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SECTION 1. Amends Section 59 (c-1), Article XVI, Texas Constitution, by adding Hays County.

SECTION 2. Effective date: Requires the proposed constitutional amendment to be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 3, 2009. Requires the ballot to be printed to permit voting for or against the specific proposition.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Upon passage of constitutional amendment.

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