BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 880 By: Hegar Intergovernmental Relations 5/6/2009 Committee Report (Substituted)

AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

C.S.S.B. 880 creates the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 200 (district). Currently, the land located within the boundaries of the proposed district is undeveloped. The territory of the district would lie within an unincorporated area in Fort Bend County, Texas.

The district would have all the powers granted to municipal utility districts operating pursuant to Chapters 49 (Provisions Applicable To All Districts) and 54 (Municipal Utility Districts), Texas Water Code, with road powers pursuant to Section 52 (Counties, Cities Or Other Political Corporations Or Subdivisions; Lending Credit; Grants; Bonds), Article III, Texas Constitution.

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 8337, as follows:

CHAPTER 8337. FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 200

Sets forth standard language for the creation of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 200 (district) in Fort Bend County. Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Creation and approval of the district (Sections 8337.001-8337.050);

Size, composition, election, and terms of the board of directors of the district (Sections 8337.051-8337.100);

Powers and duties of the district (Sections 8337.101-8337.150); and

General financial provisions and authority to impose a tax and to issue bonds and obligations for the district (Sections 8337.151-8337.202).

Prohibits the exercise of eminent domain by the district to acquire a site or easement for a road project authorized by Section 8337.103 or a recreational facility as defined by Section 49.462 (Definitions), Water Code.

SECTION 2. Sets forth the initial boundaries of the district.

SECTION 3. Provides that 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. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2009.