

1-1 By: Jackson, Laubenberg (Senate Sponsor - Patrick) H.B. No. 1366  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 29, 2009;  
1-3 May 4, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on  
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1-5 the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 18, 2009, sent to printer.)

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

1-8 relating to ballot language in an election authorizing the issuance  
1-9 of bonds for hospital district system improvements.

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

1-11 SECTION 1. Sections 281.107(c) and (d), Health and Safety  
1-12 Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-13 (c) The official proposition submitted to the voters at an  
1-14 election held under this section include, at a minimum, the  
1-15 information included in the election order as prescribed by  
1-16 Subsection (e). ~~[read substantially as follows:~~

1-17 ["PROPOSITION

1-18 [~~"Shall (insert name of district) be authorized to pledge all or a~~  
1-19 ~~portion of its hospital system revenues and the revenues received~~  
1-20 ~~from the ad valorem tax that was previously approved by the voters~~  
1-21 ~~of the district to the payment of outstanding and future~~  
1-22 ~~combination tax and revenue bonds and other obligations, and debt~~  
1-23 ~~service reserves therefor, that were and will be issued and~~  
1-24 ~~executed for the capital purposes of the district's hospital~~  
1-25 ~~system?"]~~

1-26 (d) The ballot shall be arranged in a manner that will  
1-27 permit the voters to vote for or against the following summary of  
1-28 the proposition:

1-29 "Authorizing (insert name of district) to (insert description of  
1-30 proposed district improvement) and to pledge (insert amount of  
1-31 combination tax and revenue bonds or other obligations) for the  
1-32 purpose of financing the proposed hospital district improvement  
1-33 project." ~~["Authorizing the (insert name of district) to pledge the~~  
1-34 ~~revenues from its hospital system and from the ad valorem tax that~~  
1-35 ~~was previously approved by the voters to the payment of combination~~  
1-36 ~~tax and revenue bonds and other obligations that have been and will~~  
1-37 ~~be issued and executed for the capital purposes of the hospital~~  
1-38 ~~system."]~~

1-39 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
1-40 an election ordered on or after the effective date of this Act. An  
1-41 election ordered before the effective date of this Act is governed  
1-42 by the law in effect on the date the election was ordered, and that  
1-43 law is continued in effect for that purpose.

1-44 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-45 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-46 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-47 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-48 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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