

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.S.B. 690
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Special Purpose Districts
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, there is abandoned and partially undeveloped land located within the corporate limits of the City of Houston in Harris County. Interested parties have observed the need for public infrastructure and economic development in the area. C.S.S.B. 690 seeks to address this issue.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

C.S.S.B. 690 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to create the Harris County Improvement District No. 23 to provide certain improvements, projects, and services for public use and benefit. The bill provides for, among other provisions, the annexation of land, navigation district powers, and district coordination with and notice to the Greater East End Management District. The district's powers and duties include, subject to certain requirements, the authorization to issue obligations and impose assessments and property, maintenance and operation, and contract taxes. The district is prohibited from exercising the power of eminent domain.

C.S.S.B. 690 amends Section 2, Chapter 358, Acts of the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011, to change the southern boundary of the Near Northside Management District from Interstate 10 to Buffalo Bayou.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2013.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.S.B. 690 may differ from the engrossed version in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and highlighted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the engrossed and committee substitute versions of the bill.

SENATE ENGROSSED	HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SECTION 1. Subtitle C, Title 4, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended.	SECTION 1. Same as engrossed version.
SECTION 2. Establishes initial boundaries for the Harris County Improvement District	SECTION 2. Same as engrossed version.

No. 23.

No equivalent provision.

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 on Environmental Quality.

(c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.

(d) The general law relating to consent by political subdivisions to the creation of districts with conservation, reclamation, and road powers and the inclusion of land in those districts has been complied with.

(e) 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 have been 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

SECTION 3. Section 2, Chapter 358, Acts of the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. BOUNDARIES. The Near Northside Management District initially includes all the territory contained in the following area:

In Harris County, Texas, the territory enclosed by Loop 610 as the north boundary, Lockwood Dr. as the east boundary, Buffalo Bayou [~~Interstate 10~~] as the south boundary, and Jensen Dr. as the west boundary.

SECTION 4. Same as engrossed version.

SECTION 5. Same as engrossed version.

effect, this Act takes effect September 1,
2013.