

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1864
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Special Purpose Districts
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that there currently is undeveloped property within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Fulshear in Fort Bend County that is proposed to be developed for residential and commercial purposes. The parties note the need for a management district over this property to administer and provide funding for public infrastructure, such as certain road improvements for a future major thoroughfare project, and related improvements, as well as for other economic development projects and services. S.B. 1864 seeks to address this need.

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

S.B. 1864 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to create the Fulshear Parkway Improvement District to provide certain improvements, projects, and services for public use and benefit. The bill provides for, among other provisions, the annexation of land, access to road facilities, and road standards and requirements. The district's powers and duties include, subject to certain requirements, the authorization to issue obligations and impose assessments and property, operation and maintenance, and contract taxes. The district is prohibited from exercising the power of eminent domain.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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