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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to the provision of emergency services in the Bella Vista
- 3 Municipal Utility District.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws
- 6 Code, is amended by adding Chapter 8437 to read as follows:
- 7 CHAPTER 8437. BELLA VISTA MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT
- 8 Sec. 8437.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district"
- 9 means the Bella Vista Municipal Utility District.
- 10 Sec. 8437.002. REMOVAL OF AREA FROM EMERGENCY SERVICES
- 11 DISTRICT. (a) This section applies only to:
- 12 (1) a municipality with a population of less than
- 13 <u>100,000; and</u>

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- 14 (2) an emergency services district operating under
- 15 Chapter 775, Health and Safety Code, in which the district is wholly
- 16 or partly located.
- 17 (b) If the district enters into a strategic partnership
- 18 agreement with a municipality under Section 43.0751, Local
- 19 Government Code, that includes the provision of fire-fighting
- 20 services as defined by Section 49.351(k), Water Code, and the
- 21 district has completed all other procedures necessary for a
- 22 <u>limited-purpose</u> annexation by that municipality, an emergency
- 23 services district shall disannex the territory of the district to
- 24 be served by the municipality under the agreement in accordance

- 1 with Subsection (c).
- 2 (c) The territory remains part of the emergency services
- 3 district until the secretary of the emergency services district
- 4 board receives from the district notice that the requirements of
- 5 Subsection (b) have been met. On receipt of the notice, the board
- 6 shall immediately change its records to show that the district
- 7 territory has been disannexed from the emergency services district
- 8 and shall cease to provide further services to the residents of that
- 9 territory.
- 10 (d) Sections 775.022(b), (c), (d), (e), and (f), Health and
- 11 Safety Code, apply to a disannexation under this section, as if the
- 12 disannexation occurred under the provisions of Section 775.022(a),
- 13 Health and Safety Code.
- 14 SECTION 2. (a) The legal notice of the intention to
- 15 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this
- 16 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a
- 17 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,
- 18 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished
- 19 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,
- 20 Government Code.
- 21 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has
- 22 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
- 23 Environmental Quality.
- (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed
- 25 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the
- 26 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
- 27 representatives within the required time.

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- 1 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
- 2 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
- 3 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
- 4 and accomplished.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.