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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to the provision of emergency services in the Bella Vista Municipal Utility District. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 4 5 SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Chapter 8437 to read as follows: 6 CHAPTER 8437. BELLA VISTA MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT 7 Sec. 8437.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district" 8 9 means the Bella Vista Municipal Utility District. Sec. 8437.002. REMOVAL OF AREA FROM EMERGENCY SERVICES 10 DISTRICT. (a) This section applies only to: 11 12 (1) a municipality with a population of less than 100,000; and 13 14 (2) an emergency services district operating under Chapter 775, Health and Safety Code, in which the district is wholly 15 16 or partly located. (b) If the district enters into a strategic partnership 17 agreement with a municipality under Section 43.0751, Local 18 Government Code, that includes the provision of fire-fighting 19 services as defined by Section 49.351(k), Water Code, and the 20 district has completed all other procedures necessary for a 21 limited-purpose annexation by that municipality, an emergency 22 23 services district shall disannex the territory of the district to be served by the municipality under the agreement in accordance 24

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1 with Subsection (c).

2 (c) The territory remains part of the emergency services district until the secretary of the emergency services district 3 board receives from the district notice that the requirements of 4 Subsection (b) have been met. On receipt of the notice, the board 5 shall immediately change its records to show that the district 6 territory has been disannexed from the emergency services district 7 8 and shall cease to provide further services to the residents of that territory. 9 (d) Sections 775.022(b), (c), (d), (e), and (f), Health and 10

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.

(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, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of 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.