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S.B. No. 856

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the administration and management of elections and
3 public information of the El Paso County Water Improvement District
4 No. 1.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 9303.001, Special District Local Laws
7 Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 9303.001. DEFINITIONS [~~DEFINITION~~]. In this chapter:

9 (1) "Board" means the district's board of directors.

10 (2) "Director" means a board member.

11 (3) "District" [~~,"district"~~] means the El Paso County
12 Water Improvement District No. 1.

13 SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 9303, Special District
14 Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Sections 9303.053 and
15 9303.054 to read as follows:

16 Sec. 9303.053. ADMINISTRATION OF ELECTIONS. (a) The
17 district shall contract with the elections administrator of El Paso
18 County to conduct an election held by the district.

19 (b) The district shall pay the costs of an election
20 conducted under Subsection (a).

21 Sec. 9303.054. PUBLIC INFORMATION. (a) The district shall
22 maintain an Internet website.

23 (b) The board shall make available on the district's
24 Internet website:

- 1 (1) campaign finance reports for each director;
- 2 (2) the meeting agenda and minutes for each open
- 3 meeting held by the board;
- 4 (3) archived video and audio for each open meeting
- 5 held by the board;
- 6 (4) the district's budget for the current year; and
- 7 (5) any audits of the district.

8 SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
9 an open meeting held by the El Paso County Water Improvement
10 District No. 1 on or after the effective date of this Act. An open
11 meeting that is held by that district before the effective date of
12 this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date of the open
13 meeting, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

14 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.