

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 4196
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Special Purpose Districts
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 65 of Fort Bend County, Texas, encompasses an area within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Rosenberg. Interested parties note that the law needs to be modified to allow for single-family residential development of land located within the district. C.S.H.B. 4196 seeks to address this issue.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

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.H.B. 4196 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to establish provisions relating to the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 65 of Fort Bend County, Texas. The bill grants the district the power to undertake certain road projects and authorizes the district, subject to certain requirements, to issue bonds payable from property taxes to finance such road projects.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2015.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 4196 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

INTRODUCED

SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Chapter 7945 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 7945. FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 65, OF FORT BEND COUNTY

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 7945.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district" means the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 65, of Fort Bend County.

Sec. 7945.002. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC PURPOSE AND BENEFIT.

SUBCHAPTER B. POWERS AND DUTIES

Sec. 7945.051. AUTHORITY FOR ROAD PROJECTS.

Sec. 7945.052. ROAD STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS.

SUBCHAPTER C. BONDS

Sec. 7945.101. BONDS FOR ROAD PROJECTS.

SECTION 2. (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, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.

(d) 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 are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 3. 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

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SECTION 2. Same as introduced version.

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III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.