

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Relating to the powers of the Harris County Improvement District No. 17.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter C, Chapter 3891, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Section 3891.109, as follows:

Sec. 3891.109. ENFORCEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY RESTRICTIONS. Authorizes the Harris County Improvement District No. 17 (district) to enforce a real property restriction in the manner provided by Section 54.237 (Enforcement of Real Property Restrictions), Water Code, if, in the reasonable judgment of the board, the enforcement of the restriction is necessary.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 3891.153, Special District Local Laws Code, as follows:

Sec. 3891.153. AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS. (a) Creates this subsection from existing text and makes no further changes.

(b) Provides that the limitation on the outstanding principal amount of bonds, notes, and other obligations provided by Section 49.4645 (District in Certain Counties: Bonds for Recreational Facilities), Water Code, does not apply to the district.

SECTION 3. Amends Subchapter D, Chapter 3891, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Section 3891.159, as follows:

Sec. 3891.159. POWERS OF MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT TO ESTABLISH DEFINED AREAS AND DESIGNATED PROPERTY; TAXES; BONDS. (a) Provides that the district has the powers of a municipal utility district under Subchapter J (Services for Certain Defined Areas and Designated Property), Chapter 54 (Municipal Utility Districts), Water Code, including the power to implement a plan, issue bonds, and impose a tax in a defined area established under that subchapter.

(b) Authorizes the district to exercise the powers described by Subsection (a) regardless of whether the district is composed of the minimum number of acres provided by Section 54.801 (Authority to Establish Defines Areas or Designated Property), Water Code.

SECTION 4. Provides that all requirements of the constitution and the 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 5. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2017.