

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Angelina County Water Control and Improvement District #3 (WCID 3) was created by the Angelina County Commissioners Court in 1999 and provides wastewater service to an unincorporated area in Angelina County. The Angelina County Fresh Water Supply District #1 (FWSD 1), created by the Angelina County Commissioners Court in 1966, is also located within Angelina County and also provides wastewater service.

Local stakeholders and the districts themselves have concluded that because FWSD 1 already provides wastewater service to the area nearby, it is in the best interest of the residents to dissolve WCID 3 and allow FWSD 1 to provide wastewater service to the residents currently served by WCID 3.

S.B. 2282 dissolves WCID 3 and allows FSWD 1 to take over the assets, liabilities, and territory of WCID 3. To aid in the transition, S.B. 2282 authorizes the current WCID 3 board to select one of its members to serve as a nonvoting member of the FWSD 1 board until the next regular board election. This bill streamlines local government and promotes economies of scale, which will benefit taxpayers and residents. (Original Author's / Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

C.S.S.B. 2282 amends current law relating to the dissolution of the Angelina County Water Control and Improvement District No. 3 and the territory of the Angelina County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1.

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. (a) Requires the directors of the Angelina County Water Control and Improvement District No. 3 (district) to wind up the affairs of the district beginning on the effective date of this Act.

(b) Provides that, on the 30th day after the effective date of this Act, the district is dissolved, the terms of the directors of the district expire, and all assets and liabilities of the district are transferred to the Angelina County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1.

SECTION 2. Amends Subtitle B, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 6918, as follows:

CHAPTER 6918. ANGELINA COUNTY FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT NO. 1; TERRITORY

Sec. 6918.001. DEFINITION. Defines "district."

Sec. 6918.002. ADDITIONAL TERRITORY. Provides that on the effective date of the Act enacting this chapter, the territory of the former district, as that territory existed on August 31, 2017, is added to the Angelina County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1.

SECTION 3. Authorizes the board of directors of the district, before the 30th day after the effective date of this Act, to select from the members serving on the board on the date of the selection one member to serve as a nonvoting member of the board of the Angelina County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 from the date of the selection until the next election of directors for the Angelina County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1.

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.