

1-1 By: Bell (Senate Sponsor - Creighton) H.B. No. 1439
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 1, 2017;
 1-3 May 2, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Administration; May 2, 2017, reported favorably by the following
 1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 2, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-11	X			
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1-13	X			
1-14	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to providing road district powers to the Wood Trace
 1-18 Municipal Utility District No. 3 of Montgomery County, Texas;
 1-19 providing authority to issue bonds.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-21 SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws
 1-22 Code, is amended by adding Chapter 7965 to read as follows:

1-23 CHAPTER 7965. WOOD TRACE MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 3 OF
 1-24 MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

1-25 SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1-26 Sec. 7965.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district"
 1-27 means the Wood Trace Municipal Utility District No. 3 of Montgomery
 1-28 County, Texas.

1-29 Sec. 7965.002. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC PURPOSE AND BENEFIT. (a)
 1-30 The district is created to serve a public purpose and benefit.

1-31 (b) The district is created to accomplish the purposes of:

1-32 (1) a municipal utility district as provided by
 1-33 general law and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; and

1-34 (2) Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, that
 1-35 relate to the construction, acquisition, improvement, operation,
 1-36 or maintenance of macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or
 1-37 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

1-38 SUBCHAPTER B. POWERS AND DUTIES

1-39 Sec. 7965.101. AUTHORITY FOR ROAD PROJECTS. Under Section
 1-40 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, the district may design,
 1-41 acquire, construct, finance, issue bonds for, improve, operate,
 1-42 maintain, and convey to this state, a county, or a municipality for
 1-43 operation and maintenance macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or
 1-44 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

1-45 Sec. 7965.102. ROAD STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS. (a) A road
 1-46 project must meet all applicable construction standards, zoning and
 1-47 subdivision requirements, and regulations of each municipality in
 1-48 whose corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction the road
 1-49 project is located.

1-50 (b) If a road project is not located in the corporate limits
 1-51 or extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality, the road
 1-52 project must meet all applicable construction standards,
 1-53 subdivision requirements, and regulations of each county in which
 1-54 the road project is located.

1-55 (c) If the state will maintain and operate the road, the
 1-56 Texas Transportation Commission must approve the plans and
 1-57 specifications of the road project.

1-58 SUBCHAPTER C. BONDS

1-59 Sec. 7965.201. BONDS FOR ROAD PROJECTS. At the time of
 1-60 issuance, the total principal amount of bonds or other obligations
 1-61 issued or incurred to finance road projects and payable from ad

2-1 valorem taxes may not exceed one-fourth of the assessed value of the
2-2 real property in the district.

2-3 SECTION 2. (a) The legal notice of the intention to
2-4 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this
2-5 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a
2-6 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,
2-7 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished
2-8 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,
2-9 Government Code.

2-10 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has
2-11 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
2-12 Environmental Quality.

2-13 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed
2-14 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the
2-15 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
2-16 representatives within the required time.

2-17 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
2-18 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
2-19 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
2-20 and accomplished.

2-21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-25 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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