

1-1 By: Bell (Senate Sponsor - Creighton) H.B. No. 1448
 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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1-8	X			
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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 Montgomery County
 1-18 Municipal Utility District No. 131; providing authority to issue
 1-19 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 7967 to read as follows:

1-23 CHAPTER 7967. MONTGOMERY COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT
 1-24 NO. 131

1-25 SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1-26 Sec. 7967.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district"
 1-27 means the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 131.

1-28 Sec. 7967.002. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC PURPOSE AND BENEFIT. (a)
 1-29 The district is created to serve a public purpose and benefit.

1-30 (b) The district is created to accomplish the purposes of:

1-31 (1) a municipal utility district as provided by
 1-32 general law and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; and

1-33 (2) Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, that
 1-34 relate to the construction, acquisition, improvement, operation,
 1-35 or maintenance of macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or
 1-36 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

1-37 SUBCHAPTER B. POWERS AND DUTIES

1-38 Sec. 7967.101. AUTHORITY FOR ROAD PROJECTS. Under Section
 1-39 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, the district may design,
 1-40 acquire, construct, finance, issue bonds for, improve, operate,
 1-41 maintain, and convey to this state, a county, or a municipality for
 1-42 operation and maintenance macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or
 1-43 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

1-44 Sec. 7967.102. ROAD STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS. (a) A road
 1-45 project must meet all applicable construction standards, zoning and
 1-46 subdivision requirements, and regulations of each municipality in
 1-47 whose corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction the road
 1-48 project is located.

1-49 (b) If a road project is not located in the corporate limits
 1-50 or extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality, the road
 1-51 project must meet all applicable construction standards,
 1-52 subdivision requirements, and regulations of each county in which
 1-53 the road project is located.

1-54 (c) If the state will maintain and operate the road, the
 1-55 Texas Transportation Commission must approve the plans and
 1-56 specifications of the road project.

1-57 SUBCHAPTER C. BONDS

1-58 Sec. 7967.201. BONDS FOR ROAD PROJECTS. At the time of
 1-59 issuance, the total principal amount of bonds or other obligations
 1-60 issued or incurred to finance road projects and payable from ad
 1-61 valorem taxes may not exceed one-fourth of the assessed value of the

2-1 real property in the district.

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

2-9 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has
2-10 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
2-11 Environmental Quality.

2-12 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed
2-13 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the
2-14 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
2-15 representatives within the required time.

2-16 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
2-17 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
2-18 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
2-19 and accomplished.

2-20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-24 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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