

1-1 By: Reynolds (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 2938
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2017;
 1-3 May 10, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Agriculture, Water & Rural Affairs; May 19, 2017, reported
 1-5 adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following
 1-6 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 19, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-9	X			
1-10	X			
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1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14			X	
1-15	X			

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 2938 By: Perry

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the Sienna Plantation Levee Improvement District of
 1-20 Fort Bend County, Texas.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Sections 1 and 8, Chapter 986, Acts of the 78th
 1-23 Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, are amended to read as follows:

1-24 Sec. 1. AUTHORITY. The Sienna Plantation Levee
 1-25 Improvement District of Fort Bend County, Texas, is a conservation
 1-26 and reclamation district created under the authority of Section 59,
 1-27 Article XVI, and Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution. It is
 1-28 granted road utility district authority under Section 52(b)(3),
 1-29 Article III, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 441, Transportation
 1-30 Code, including the authority to repair and maintain streets and
 1-31 roadways in the district. In addition, the district has the powers
 1-32 of a metropolitan rapid transit authority under Section 451.065,
 1-33 Transportation Code, provided, however, that Section 451.065(d),
 1-34 Transportation Code, shall not apply to the district.

1-35 Sec. 8. BONDS. (a) The district may issue bonds, notes,
 1-36 and other obligations secured by revenues or contract payments from
 1-37 any lawful source other than ad valorem taxation without an
 1-38 election. The district may issue bonds, notes, and other
 1-39 obligations secured in whole or in part by ad valorem taxation, and
 1-40 levy ad valorem taxes for the payment thereof, only if the issuance
 1-41 is approved by a two-thirds majority of the voters of the district
 1-42 voting at an election called and held for that purpose.

1-43 (b) The outstanding principal amount of bonds, notes, and
 1-44 other obligations issued to finance parks and recreational
 1-45 facilities supported by ad valorem taxation may not exceed an
 1-46 amount equal to two percent of the taxable property in the district.

1-47 SECTION 2. (a) The legislature validates and confirms all
 1-48 acts and proceedings of the board of directors of the Sienna
 1-49 Plantation Levee Improvement District of Fort Bend County, Texas,
 1-50 that were taken before the effective date of this Act.

1-51 (b) Subsection (a) of this section does not apply to any
 1-52 matter that on the effective date of this Act:

1-53 (1) is involved in litigation if the litigation
 1-54 ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final
 1-55 judgment of a court; or

1-56 (2) has been held invalid by a final judgment of a
 1-57 court.

1-58 SECTION 3. (a) The legal notice of the intention to
 1-59 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this
 1-60 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a

2-1 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,
2-2 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished
2-3 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,
2-4 Government Code.

2-5 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has
2-6 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
2-7 Environmental Quality.

2-8 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed
2-9 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the
2-10 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
2-11 representatives within the required time.

2-12 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
2-13 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
2-14 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
2-15 and accomplished.

2-16 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-20 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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