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Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4275:

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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1	AN ACT		
2	relating to the creation of the Ingleside Improvement District;		
3	providing authority to issue bonds; granting limited power of		
4	eminent domain; providing authority to impose assessments, fees,		
5	and taxes.		
6	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:		
7	SECTION 1. Subtitle C, Title 4, Special District Local Laws		
8	Code, is amended by adding Chapter 3794 to read as follows:		
9	CHAPTER 3794. INGLESIDE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT		
10	SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS		
11	Sec. 3794.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:		
12	(1) "Board" means the district's board of directors.		
13	(2) "City" means the City of Ingleside.		
14	(3) "County" means San Patricio County.		
15	(4) "Director" means a board member.		
16	(5) "District" means the Ingleside Improvement		
17	District.		
18	Sec. 3794.002. NATURE OF DISTRICT. The Ingleside		
19	Improvement District is a special district created under Section		
20	59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.		
21	Sec. 3794.003. PURPOSE; DECLARATION OF INTENT. (a) The		
22	creation of the district is essential to accomplish the purposes of		
23	Sections 52 and 52-a, Article III, and Section 59, Article XVI,		
24	Texas Constitution, and other public purposes stated in this		

- 1 chapter. By creating the district and in authorizing the city, the
- 2 county, and other political subdivisions to contract with the
- 3 district, the legislature has established a program to accomplish
- 4 the public purposes set out in Section 52-a, Article III, Texas
- 5 Constitution.
- 6 (b) The creation of the district is necessary to promote,
- 7 develop, encourage, and maintain employment, commerce,
- 8 transportation, housing, tourism, recreation, the arts,
- 9 entertainment, economic development, education, safety, and the
- 10 public welfare in the district.
- 11 (c) This chapter and the creation of the district may not be
- 12 interpreted to relieve the city or the county from providing the
- 13 level of services provided as of the effective date of the Act
- 14 enacting this chapter to the area in the district. The district is
- 15 created to supplement and not to supplant city or county services
- 16 provided in the district.
- 17 Sec. 3794.004. FINDINGS OF BENEFIT AND PUBLIC PURPOSE.
- 18 (a) The district is created to serve a public use and benefit.
- 19 (b) All land and other property included in the district
- 20 will benefit from the improvements and services to be provided by
- 21 the district under powers conferred by Sections 52 and 52-a,
- 22 Article III, and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and
- 23 other powers granted under this chapter.
- (c) The creation of the district is in the public interest
- 25 and is essential to further the public purposes of:
- 26 (1) developing and diversifying the economy of the
- 27 state;

1 (2) eliminating unemployment and underemployment; and 2 (3) developing or expanding transportation 3 commerce. 4 (d) The district will: 5 (1) promote the health, safety, and general welfare of residents, employers, potential employees, employees, visitors, 6 7 and consumers in the district and of the public; (2) provide needed funding for the district to 8 preserve, maintain, and enhance the economic health and vitality of 9 10 the district territory as a community and business center; (3) promote the health, safety, welfare, and enjoyment 11 12 of the public by providing pedestrian ways and by landscaping and developing certain areas in the district, which are necessary for 13 14 the restoration, preservation, and enhancement of scenic beauty; 15 (4) provide road and recreational facilities for the 16 district; 17 (5) provide for water facilities, wastewater facilities, drainage facilities, canals, waterways, bulkheads, 18 19 docks, levees, and other similar improvements or facilities for the 20 district; 21 (6) construct, operate, maintain, and improve navigable waterways, including the dredging of waterways, 22 reclamation of land, and disposal of dredge materials; and 23 24 (7) provide land and infrastructure for educational facilities in the district. 25 26 (e) Pedestrian ways along or across a street, whether at

grade or above or below the surface, and street lighting, street

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- 1 landscaping, parking, and street art objects are parts of and
- 2 necessary components of a street and are considered to be a street
- 3 <u>or road improvement.</u>
- 4 (f) The district will not act as the agent or
- 5 instrumentality of any private interest even though the district
- 6 will benefit many private interests as well as the public.
- 7 (g) Levee facilities and improvements are:
- 8 (1) necessary and convenient for the use and
- 9 implementation of the district's navigation facilities and
- 10 improvements;
- 11 (2) necessary components of navigation facilities and
- 12 improvements;
- 13 (3) considered to be navigation facilities and
- 14 improvements; and
- 15 (4) necessary and convenient for the development and
- 16 <u>expansion of transportation in this state.</u>
- 17 Sec. 3794.005. INITIAL DISTRICT TERRITORY. (a) The
- 18 district is initially composed of the territory described by
- 19 Section 2 of the Act enacting this chapter.
- 20 (b) The boundaries and field notes contained in Section 2 of
- 21 the Act enacting this chapter form a closure. A mistake in the
- 22 field notes or in copying the field notes in the legislative process
- 23 does not affect the district's:
- 24 <u>(1) organization, existence, or validity;</u>
- 25 (2) right to issue any type of bonds for the purposes
- 26 for which the district is created or to pay the principal of and
- 27 interest on the bonds;

- 1 (3) right to impose or collect an assessment or tax; or
- 2 (4) legality or operation.
- 3 Sec. 3794.006. ELIGIBILITY FOR INCLUSION IN SPECIAL ZONES.
- 4 All or any part of the area of the district is eligible to be
- 5 <u>included</u> in:
- (1) a tax increment reinvestment zone created under
- 7 Chapter 311, Tax Code;
- 8 (2) a tax abatement reinvestment zone created under
- 9 Chapter 312, Tax Code;
- 10 (3) an enterprise zone created under Chapter 2303,
- 11 Government Code; or
- 12 (4) an industrial district created under Chapter 42,
- 13 Local Government Code.
- 14 Sec. 3794.007. APPLICABILITY OF MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT
- 15 DISTRICTS LAW. Except as otherwise provided by this chapter,
- 16 Chapter 375, Local Government Code, applies to the district.
- 17 Sec. 3794.008. CONSTRUCTION OF CHAPTER. This chapter shall
- 18 be liberally construed in conformity with the findings and purposes
- 19 stated in this chapter.
- SUBCHAPTER B. BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- Sec. 3794.051. GOVERNING BODY; TERMS. (a) The district is
- 22 governed by a board of five voting directors who serve staggered
- 23 terms of four years, with two or three directors' terms expiring
- 24 June 1 of each odd-numbered year.
- 25 (b) The board by resolution may change the number of voting
- 26 directors on the board if the board determines that the change is in
- 27 the best interest of the district. The board may not consist of

- 1 <u>fewer than 5 or more than 11 voting directors.</u>
- 2 Sec. 3794.052. DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS. A person is
- 3 eligible to serve as a director of the district only if the person
- 4 meets the eligibility requirements to register as a voter in this
- 5 state under Section 13.001, Election Code.
- 6 Sec. 3794.053. APPOINTMENT OF VOTING DIRECTORS. The mayor
- 7 and members of the governing body of the city shall appoint voting
- 8 directors from persons recommended by the board. A person is
- 9 appointed if a majority of the members of the governing body,
- 10 including the mayor, vote to appoint that person.
- 11 Sec. 3794.054. NONVOTING DIRECTORS. The board may appoint
- 12 nonvoting directors to serve at the pleasure of the voting
- 13 directors.
- Sec. 3794.055. QUORUM. For purposes of determining the
- 15 requirements for a quorum of the board, the following are not
- 16 counted:
- 17 (1) a board position vacant for any reason, including
- 18 death, resignation, or disqualification;
- 19 (2) a director who is abstaining from participation in
- 20 a vote because of a conflict of interest; or
- 21 <u>(3) a nonvoting director.</u>
- Sec. 3794.056. COMPENSATION. A director is entitled to
- 23 receive fees of office and reimbursement for actual expenses as
- 24 provided by Section 49.060, Water Code. Sections 375.069 and
- 25 <u>375.070</u>, Local Government Code, do not apply to the board.
- Sec. 3794.057. INITIAL VOTING DIRECTORS. (a) The initial
- 27 board consists of the following voting directors:

1	Pos. No.	Name of Director	
2	<u>1</u>	Joseph Wetegrove	
3	<u>2</u>	Richard Dupriest	
4	<u>3</u>	Jane Helm	
5	<u>4</u>	Steve Ray	
6	<u>5</u>	Raymond Wetegrove	
7	(b) Of the in	nitial directors, the terms of directors	
8	appointed for positions one through three expire June 1, 2021, and		
9	the terms of directors	appointed for positions four and five expire	
10	June 1, 2019.		
11	(c) Section 3794.053 does not apply to this section.		
12	SUBCHAPTER C. POWERS AND DUTIES		
13	Sec. 3794.101.	GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES. The district has	
14	the powers and duties necessary to accomplish the purposes for		
15	which the district is created.		
16	Sec. 3794.102.	IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND SERVICES. The	
17	district may provid	e, design, construct, acquire, improve,	
18	relocate, operate, ma	intain, or finance an improvement project or	
19	service using any mone	y available to the district, or contract with	
20	a governmental or pri	ivate entity to provide, design, construct,	
21	acquire, improve, re	locate, operate, maintain, or finance an	
22	improvement project o	or service authorized under this chapter or	
23	Chapter 375, Local Gov	ernment Code.	
24	Sec. 3794.103.	DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION POWERS. The	
25	district, using money	available to the district, may exercise the	
26	powers given to a deve	elopment corporation under Chapter 505, Local	
27	Government Code, inc	luding the power to own, operate, acquire,	

- 1 construct, lease, improve, or maintain a project under that
- 2 chapter.
- 3 Sec. 3794.104. NONPROFIT CORPORATION. (a) The board by
- 4 resolution may authorize the creation of a nonprofit corporation to
- 5 assist and act for the district in implementing a project or
- 6 providing a service authorized by this chapter.
- 7 <u>(b) The nonprofit corporation:</u>
- 8 (1) has each power of and is considered to be a local
- 9 government corporation created under Subchapter D, Chapter 431,
- 10 Transportation Code; and
- 11 (2) may implement any project and provide any service
- 12 authorized by this chapter.
- 13 (c) The board shall appoint the board of directors of the
- 14 nonprofit corporation. The board of directors of the nonprofit
- 15 corporation shall serve in the same manner as the board of directors
- 16 of a local government corporation created under Subchapter D,
- 17 Chapter 431, Transportation Code, except that a board member is not
- 18 required to reside in the district.
- 19 Sec. 3794.105. AGREEMENTS; GRANTS. (a) As provided by
- 20 Chapter 375, Local Government Code, the district may make an
- 21 agreement with or accept a gift or grant from any person. The
- 22 district shall promptly notify the city of any gift or grant
- 23 accepted by the district.
- 24 (b) The implementation of a project is a governmental
- 25 function or service for the purposes of Chapter 791, Government
- 26 Code.
- Sec. 3794.106. LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES. To protect the

- 1 public interest, the district may contract with a qualified party,
- 2 including the county or the city, to provide law enforcement
- 3 services in the district for a fee.
- 4 Sec. 3794.107. MEMBERSHIP IN CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS. The
- 5 district may join and pay dues to a charitable or nonprofit
- 6 organization that performs a service or provides an activity
- 7 consistent with the furtherance of a district purpose.
- 8 Sec. 3794.108. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. (a) The district may
- 9 engage in activities that accomplish the economic development
- 10 purposes of the district.
- 11 (b) The district may establish and provide for the
- 12 administration of one or more programs to promote state or local
- 13 economic development and to stimulate business and commercial
- 14 activity in the district, including programs to:
- (1) make loans and grants of public money; and
- 16 (2) provide district personnel and services.
- 17 (c) The district may create economic development programs
- 18 and exercise the economic development powers that:
- 19 (1) Chapter 380, Local Government Code, provides to a
- 20 municipality; and
- 21 (2) Subchapter A, Chapter 1509, Government Code,
- 22 provides to a municipality.
- Sec. 3794.109. PARKING FACILITIES. (a) The district may
- 24 acquire, lease as lessor or lessee, construct, develop, own,
- 25 operate, and maintain parking facilities or a system of parking
- 26 facilities, including lots, garages, parking terminals, or other
- 27 structures or accommodations for parking motor vehicles off the

- 1 streets and related appurtenances.
- 2 (b) The district's parking facilities serve the public
- 3 purposes of the district and are owned, used, and held for a public
- 4 purpose even if leased or operated by a private entity for a term of
- 5 years.
- 6 (c) The district's parking facilities are parts of and
- 7 necessary components of a street and are considered to be a street
- 8 or road improvement.
- 9 (d) The development and operation of the district's parking
- 10 facilities may be considered an economic development program.
- 11 Sec. 3794.110. ANNEXATION OF LAND. (a) Subject to
- 12 Subsection (b), the district may annex land as provided by
- 13 Subchapter J, Chapter 49, Water Code.
- 14 (b) The district may not annex land in Nueces County or San
- 15 Patricio County unless the Port of Corpus Christi Authority by
- 16 <u>ordinance or resolution consents to the annexation.</u>
- 17 Sec. 3794.111. DISTRICT POWERS FOR CONSTRUCTING AND
- 18 FINANCING PORT FACILITIES. (a) The district may exercise the
- 19 powers of a navigation district provided by Sections 60.032 and
- 20 60.034 and Subchapters E, G, I, L, M, and N, Chapter 60, Water Code,
- 21 for the construction, maintenance, and financing of port facilities
- 22 <u>in the district.</u> For purposes of this section, a reference to a
- 23 <u>commission in Chapter 60, Water Code, means the board.</u>
- 24 (b) The district may purchase, construct, acquire, own,
- 25 operate, maintain, improve, or extend, inside the district, a
- 26 canal, waterway, bulkhead, dock, or other improvement or facility
- 27 necessary or convenient to accomplish the navigation purposes of

- 1 the district.
- 2 Sec. 3794.112. AUTHORITY FOR ROAD PROJECTS. Under Section
- 3 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, the district may design,
- 4 acquire, construct, finance, issue bonds for, improve, operate,
- 5 maintain, and convey to this state, a county, or a municipality for
- 6 operation and maintenance macadamized, graveled, or paved roads or
- 7 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.
- 8 Sec. 3794.113. CONVEYANCE AND APPROVAL OF ROAD PROJECT.
- 9 (a) The district may convey a road project authorized by Section
- 10 <u>3794.112 to:</u>
- 11 (1) the municipality or county that will operate and
- 12 maintain the road if the municipality or county has approved the
- 13 plans and specifications of the road project; or
- 14 (2) the state if the state will operate and maintain
- 15 the road and the Texas Transportation Commission has approved the
- 16 plans and specifications of the road project.
- 17 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c), the district shall
- 18 operate and maintain a road project authorized by Section 3794.112
- 19 that the district implements and does not convey to a municipality,
- 20 a county, or this state under Subsection (a).
- 21 (c) The district may agree in writing with a municipality, a
- 22 county, or this state to assign operation and maintenance duties to
- 23 the district, the municipality, the county, or this state in a
- 24 manner other than the manner described in Subsections (a) and (b).
- Sec. 3794.114. CONSENT OF CITY REQUIRED. The district may
- 26 not take any of the following actions until the city has consented
- 27 by ordinance or resolution to the creation of the district and to

the inclusion of land in the district: 1 2 (1) hold an election under Subchapter L, Chapter 375, 3 Local Government Code; 4 (2) impose an ad valorem tax; 5 (3) <u>impose an assessment;</u> (4) <u>issue bonds; or</u> 6 7 (5) enter into an agreement to reimburse the costs of 8 facilities. 9 Sec. 3794.115. LIMITATION ON USE OF EMINENT DOMAIN. 10 district may not exercise the power of eminent domain outside the 11 district boundaries to acquire: 12 (1) a site for a water treatment plant, water storage facility, wastewater treatment plant, or wastewater disposal 13 plant; 14 15 (2) a site for a park, swimming pool, or other recreational facility, as defined by Section 49.462, Water Code; 16 17 (3) an exclusive easement through a county regional 18 park; or 19 (4) a site or easement for a road project. SUBCHAPTER D. GENERAL FINANCIAL PROVISIONS; ASSESSMENTS 20 21 Sec. 3794.151. DISBURSEMENTS AND TRANSFERS OF MONEY. The board by resolution shall establish the number of directors' 22 signatures and the procedure required for a disbursement or 23 24 transfer of district money. 25 Sec. 3794.152. MONEY USED FOR IMPROVEMENTS OR SERVICES. 26 The district may acquire, construct, finance, operate, or maintain

any improvement or service authorized under this chapter or Chapter

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- 1 375, Local Government Code, using any money available to the
- 2 district.
- 3 Sec. 3794.153. PETITION REQUIRED FOR FINANCING SERVICES AND
- 4 IMPROVEMENTS WITH ASSESSMENTS. (a) The board may not finance a
- 5 service or improvement project with assessments under this chapter
- 6 unless a written petition requesting that service or improvement
- 7 has been filed with the board.
- 8 (b) A petition filed under Subsection (a) must be signed by
- 9 the owners of a majority of the assessed value of real property in
- 10 the district subject to assessment according to the most recent
- 11 certified tax appraisal roll for the county.
- 12 Sec. 3794.154. ASSESSMENTS; LIENS FOR ASSESSMENTS.
- 13 (a) The board by resolution may impose and collect an assessment
- 14 for any purpose authorized by this chapter in all or any part of the
- 15 <u>district</u>.
- 16 (b) An assessment, a reassessment, or an assessment
- 17 resulting from an addition to or correction of the assessment roll
- 18 by the district, penalties and interest on an assessment or
- 19 reassessment, an expense of collection, and reasonable attorney's
- 20 fees incurred by the district:
- 21 (1) are a first and prior lien against the property
- 22 assessed;
- (2) are superior to any other lien or claim other than
- 24 a lien or claim for county, school district, or municipal ad valorem
- 25 <u>taxes; and</u>
- 26 (3) are the personal liability of and a charge against
- 27 the owners of the property even if the owners are not named in the

- 1 <u>assessment proceedings.</u>
- 2 (c) The lien is effective from the date of the board's
- 3 resolution imposing the assessment until the date the assessment is
- 4 paid. The board may enforce the lien in the same manner that the
- 5 board may enforce an ad valorem tax lien against real property.
- 6 (d) The board may make a correction to or deletion from the
- 7 assessment roll that does not increase the amount of assessment of
- 8 any parcel of land without providing notice and holding a hearing in
- 9 the manner required for additional assessments.
- Sec. 3794.155. CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY EXEMPT. (a)
- 11 Section 375.161, Local Government Code, applies to the district.
- 12 (b) To the extent of any conflict or inconsistency, Section
- 13 375.161, Local Government Code, prevails over any provision of this
- 14 chapter.
- SUBCHAPTER E. TAXES AND BONDS
- 16 Sec. 3794.201. ELECTIONS REGARDING TAXES AND BONDS.
- 17 (a) The district may issue, without an election, bonds, notes, and
- 18 other obligations secured by:
- 19 (1) revenue other than ad valorem taxes; or
- 20 (2) contract payments described by Section 3794.203.
- 21 (b) The district must hold an election in the manner
- 22 provided by Subchapter L, Chapter 375, Local Government Code, to
- 23 obtain voter approval before the district may impose an ad valorem
- 24 tax or issue bonds payable from ad valorem taxes.
- 25 (c) Section 375.243, Local Government Code, does not apply
- 26 to the district.
- 27 (d) All or any part of any facilities or improvements that

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- 1 may be acquired by a district by the issuance of its bonds may be
- 2 submitted as a single proposition or as several propositions to be
- 3 voted on at the election.
- 4 Sec. 3794.202. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE TAX. (a) If
- 5 authorized by a majority of the district voters voting at an
- 6 election held in accordance with Section 3794.201, the district may
- 7 impose an operation and maintenance tax on taxable property in the
- 8 district in accordance with Section 49.107, Water Code, for any
- 9 district purpose, including to:
- 10 (1) maintain and operate the district;
- 11 (2) construct or acquire improvements; or
- 12 (3) provide a service.
- (b) The board shall determine the tax rate. The rate may not
- 14 exceed the rate approved at the election.
- (c) Section 49.107(h), Water Code, does not apply to the
- 16 district.
- 17 Sec. 3794.203. CONTRACT TAXES. (a) In accordance with
- 18 Section 49.108, Water Code, the district may impose a tax other than
- 19 an operation and maintenance tax and use the revenue derived from
- 20 the tax to make payments under a contract after the provisions of
- 21 the contract have been approved by a majority of the district voters
- 22 voting at an election held for that purpose.
- 23 (b) A contract approved by the district voters may contain a
- 24 provision stating that the contract may be modified or amended by
- 25 the board without further voter approval.
- Sec. 3794.204. AUTHORITY TO BORROW MONEY AND TO ISSUE BONDS
- 27 AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS. (a) The district may borrow money on terms

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- 1 determined by the board. Section 375.205, Local Government Code,
- 2 does not apply to a loan, line of credit, or other borrowing from a
- 3 bank or financial institution secured by revenue other than ad
- 4 valorem taxes.
- 5 (b) The district may issue bonds, notes, or other
- 6 obligations payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes,
- 7 assessments, impact fees, revenue, contract payments, grants, or
- 8 other district money, or any combination of those sources of money,
- 9 to pay for any authorized district purpose.
- Sec. 3794.205. TAXES FOR BONDS. At the time the district
- 11 issues bonds payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, the
- 12 board shall provide for the annual imposition of a continuing
- 13 direct annual ad valorem tax, without limit as to rate or amount,
- 14 for each year that all or part of the bonds are outstanding as
- 15 required and in the manner provided by Sections 54.601 and 54.602,
- 16 Water Code.
- 17 Sec. 3794.206. CITY NOT REQUIRED TO PAY DISTRICT
- 18 OBLIGATIONS. Except as provided by Section 375.263, Local
- 19 Government Code, the city is not required to pay a bond, note, or
- 20 other obligation of the district.
- 21 <u>SUBCHAPTER F. DISSOLUTION</u>
- Sec. 3794.251. DISSOLUTION BY BOARD. The board by order may
- 23 <u>dissolve the district at any time unless the district has</u>
- 24 outstanding indebtedness or contractual obligations.
- Sec. 3794.252. DISSOLUTION BY PETITION AND ELECTION. (a)
- 26 If the district has no outstanding indebtedness or contractual
- 27 liabilities, the owners of a majority of the assessed value of

- 1 property subject to assessment by the district may petition the
- 2 board to call an election on the question of dissolving the
- 3 district.
- 4 (b) On the board's receipt of a petition described by
- 5 Subsection (a), the board shall call an election on the question of
- 6 dissolving the district.
- 7 (c) If a majority of the voters of the district voting at an
- 8 election called under Subsection (b) vote to dissolve the district,
- 9 the board by order shall dissolve the district.
- 10 (d) After the date the district is dissolved, the district
- 11 may not impose taxes.
- 12 Sec. 3794.253. ADMINISTRATION OF DISTRICT PROPERTY
- 13 FOLLOWING DISSOLUTION. (a) After the date the board orders the
- 14 dissolution of the district, the board shall transfer ownership of
- 15 all district property to the county, except as provided by
- 16 Subsection (b).
- 17 (b) If, on the date on which the board orders the
- 18 dissolution, more than 50 percent of the district territory is in a
- 19 municipality, the board shall transfer ownership of the district's
- 20 property to the municipality.
- 21 SECTION 2. The Ingleside Improvement District initially
- 22 includes all territory contained in the following area:
- Being 625 acres, more or less, out of the Wm McDonough Survey,
- 24 Abstract 184, the R.S. Williamson Survey, Abstract 283, the Edmond
- 25 St. John Survey, Abstract 250, the Louis Von Zacharias Survey,
- 26 Abstract 272, and the John Robinson Survey, Abstract 226, all
- 27 tracts located in the City of Ingleside, San Patricio County,

- 1 Texas.
- 2 SECTION 3. (a) The legal notice of the intention to
- 3 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this
- 4 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a
- 5 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,
- 6 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished
- 7 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,
- 8 Government Code.
- 9 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has
- 10 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
- 11 Environmental Quality.
- 12 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed
- 13 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor,
- 14 lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of representatives
- 15 within the required time.
- 16 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
- 17 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
- 18 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act have been
- 19 fulfilled and accomplished.
- 20 SECTION 4. (a) Section 3794.115, Special District Local
- 21 Laws Code, as added by Section 1 of this Act, takes effect only if
- 22 this Act receives a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to
- 23 each house.
- (b) If this Act does not receive a two-thirds vote of all the
- 25 members elected to each house, Subchapter C, Chapter 3794, Special
- 26 District Local Laws Code, as added by Section 1 of this Act, is
- 27 amended by adding Section 3794.115 to read as follows:

- 1 Sec. 3794.115. NO EMINENT DOMAIN POWER. The district may
- 2 not exercise the power of eminent domain.
- 3 (c) This section is not intended to be an expression of a
- 4 legislative interpretation of the requirements of Section 17(c),
- 5 Article I, Texas Constitution.
- 6 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 7 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 8 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 9 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 10 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.