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S.B. No. 2248

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the powers of the Harris County Improvement District No. 17.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 3891, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 3891.109 to read as follows:

Sec. 3891.109. ENFORCEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY RESTRICTIONS.

The district may enforce a real property restriction in the manner provided by Section 54.237, Water Code, if, in the reasonable judgment of the board, the enforcement of the restriction is necessary.

SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 3891, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 3891.159 to read as follows:

Sec. 3891.159. POWERS OF MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT TO ESTABLISH DEFINED AREAS AND DESIGNATED PROPERTY; TAXES; BONDS. (a)

The district has the powers of a municipal utility district under Subchapter J, Chapter 54, Water Code, including the power to:

(1) implement a plan;

(2) issue bonds; and

(3) impose a tax in a defined area established under that subchapter.

(b) The district may exercise the powers described by

1 Subsection (a) regardless of whether the district is composed of  
2 the minimum number of acres provided by Section 54.801, Water Code.

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

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

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

17 (d) The general law relating to consent by political  
18 subdivisions to the creation of districts with conservation,  
19 reclamation, and road powers and the inclusion of land in those  
20 districts has been complied with.

21 (e) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this  
22 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect  
23 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act have been  
24 fulfilled and accomplished.

25 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
26 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
27 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.