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S.B. No. 2254

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the powers and duties of the Needmore Ranch Municipal
3 Utility District No. 1 and the territory of the Hays Trinity
4 Groundwater Conservation District and the Barton Springs-Edwards
5 Aquifer Conservation District.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 8471.102, Special District Local Laws
8 Code, is amended to read as follows:

9 Sec. 8471.102. GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND
10 MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT POWERS AND DUTIES; CONFLICTS OF LAW.

11 (a) The district has the powers and duties provided by the general
12 law of this state, including Chapters 36, 49, and 54, Water Code,
13 applicable to groundwater conservation districts and municipal
14 utility districts created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas
15 Constitution.

16 (b) If there is a conflict between Chapters 36 and 54, Water
17 Code, Chapter 54 prevails.

18 SECTION 2. Section 8802.003, Special District Local Laws
19 Code, is amended to read as follows:

20 Sec. 8802.003. DISTRICT TERRITORY. (a) The district is
21 composed of the territory described by the Texas Water Commission's
22 August 15, 1986, order, as that territory may have been modified
23 under:

24 (1) Subchapter J, Chapter 36, Water Code; or

1 (2) other law.

2 (b) If the Needmore Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1
3 is confirmed at an election held for that purpose, the territory of
4 the Needmore Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 is removed from
5 the district.

6 SECTION 3. Section 8843.004, Special District Local Laws
7 Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 8843.004. DISTRICT TERRITORY. (a) The district's
9 boundaries are coextensive with the boundaries of Hays County,
10 excluding any area that on September 1, 2001, was within another
11 groundwater conservation district with authority to require a
12 permit to drill or alter a well for the withdrawal of groundwater,
13 unless the district's territory has been modified under:

14 (1) Subchapter J, Chapter 36, Water Code; or

15 (2) other law.

16 (b) If the Needmore Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1
17 is confirmed at an election held for that purpose, the territory of
18 the Needmore Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 is removed from
19 the district.

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

27 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has

1 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
2 Environmental Quality.

3 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed
4 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the
5 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
6 representatives within the required time.

7 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
8 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
9 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
10 and accomplished.

11 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.