| **House Bill 4290**Senate AmendmentsSection-by-Section Analysis |
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| SECTION 1. Subtitle C, Title 4, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Chapter 3950 to read as follows:CHAPTER 3950. STADIUM PARK MANAGEMENT DISTRICTSUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONSSec. 3950.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:(1) "Board" means the district's board of directors.(2) "City" means the City of Houston.(3) "County" means Harris County.(4) "Director" means a board member.(5) "District" means the Stadium Park Management District.Sec. 3950.002. CREATION AND NATURE OF DISTRICT. The district is a special district created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.Sec. 3950.003. PURPOSE; LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. (a) The creation of the district is essential to accomplish the purposes of Sections 52 and 52-a, Article III, and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and other public purposes stated in this chapter. 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(a) The board by resolution may impose and collect an assessment for any purpose authorized by this chapter in all or any part of the district that is not a residential property, including a multiunit residential property or a condominium.(b) An assessment, a reassessment, or an assessment resulting from an addition to or correction of the assessment roll by the district, penalties and interest on an assessment or reassessment, an expense of collection, and reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the district:(1) are a first and prior lien against the property assessed;(2) are superior to any other lien or claim other than a lien or claim for county, school district, or municipal ad valorem taxes; and(3) are the personal liability of and a charge against the owners of the property even if the owners are not named in the assessment proceedings.(c) The lien is effective from the date of the board's resolution imposing the assessment until the date the assessment is paid. The board may enforce the lien in the same manner that the board may enforce an ad valorem tax lien against real property.(d) The board may make a correction to or deletion from the assessment roll that does not increase the amount of assessment of any parcel of land without providing notice and holding a hearing in the manner required for additional assessments.Sec. 3950.203. METHOD OF NOTICE FOR HEARING. The district may mail the notice required by Section 375.115(c), Local Government Code, by certified or first class United States mail. The board shall determine the method of notice.SUBCHAPTER F. TAXES AND BONDSSec. 3950.251. TAX ABATEMENT. The district may enter into a tax abatement agreement in accordance with the general laws of this state authorizing and applicable to a tax abatement agreement by a municipality.Sec. 3950.252. PROPERTY TAX AUTHORIZED. (a) The district may impose an ad valorem tax on all taxable property in the district to:(1) pay for an improvement project of the types authorized by Section 52(b), Article III, and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; or(2) secure the payment of bonds issued for a purpose described by Subdivision (1).(b) The district may not impose an ad valorem tax to pay for an improvement project under this chapter unless the imposition is approved by the voters of the district voting at an election held for that purpose.(c) The district may not impose an ad valorem tax on a residential property, including a multiunit residential property or a condominium.Sec. 3950.253. SALES AND USE TAX. (a) The district may impose a sales and use tax if authorized by a majority of the voters of the district voting at an election called for that purpose. Revenue from the tax may be used for any purpose for which ad valorem tax revenue of the district may be used.(b) The district may not adopt a sales and use tax if as a result of the adoption of the tax the combined rate of all sales and use taxes imposed by the district and other political subdivisions of this state having territory in the district would exceed two percent at any location in the district.(c) If the voters of the district approve the adoption of the tax at an election held on the same election date on which another political subdivision adopts a sales and use tax or approves an increase in the rate of its sales and use tax and as a result the combined rate of all sales and use taxes imposed by the district and other political subdivisions of this state having territory in the district would exceed two percent at any location in the district, the election to adopt a sales and use tax under this chapter has no effect.Sec. 3950.254. BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS. (a) The district may issue, by public or private sale, bonds, notes, or other obligations payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, sales and use taxes, or assessments in the manner provided by Subchapter A, Chapter 372, or Subchapter J, Chapter 375, Local Government Code.(b) In exercising the district's borrowing power, the district may issue a bond or other obligation in the form of a bond, note, certificate of participation or other instrument evidencing a proportionate interest in payments to be made by the district, or other type of obligation.(c) In addition to the sources of money described by Subchapter A, Chapter 372, or Subchapter J, Chapter 375, Local Government Code, district bonds may be secured and made payable wholly or partly by a pledge of any part of the money the district receives from improvement revenue or from any other source.Sec. 3950.255. BOND MATURITY. Bonds may mature not more than 40 years from their date of issue.Sec. 3950.256. 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(a) The board by resolution may impose and collect an assessment for any purpose authorized by this chapter in all or any part of the district that is not a residential property, including a multiunit residential property or a condominium.(b) An assessment, a reassessment, or an assessment resulting from an addition to or correction of the assessment roll by the district, penalties and interest on an assessment or reassessment, an expense of collection, and reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the district:(1) are a first and prior lien against the property assessed;(2) are superior to any other lien or claim other than a lien or claim for county, school district, or municipal ad valorem taxes; and(3) are the personal liability of and a charge against the owners of the property even if the owners are not named in the assessment proceedings.(c) The lien is effective from the date of the board's resolution imposing the assessment until the date the assessment is paid. The board may enforce the lien in the same manner that the board may enforce an ad valorem tax lien against real property.(d) The board may make a correction to or deletion from the assessment roll that does not increase the amount of assessment of any parcel of land without providing notice and holding a hearing in the manner required for additional assessments.Sec. 3950.203. METHOD OF NOTICE FOR HEARING. The district may mail the notice required by Section 375.115(c), Local Government Code, by certified or first class United States mail. The board shall determine the method of notice.SUBCHAPTER F. TAXES AND BONDSSec. 3950.251. TAX ABATEMENT. The district may enter into a tax abatement agreement in accordance with the general laws of this state authorizing and applicable to a tax abatement agreement by a municipality.Sec. 3950.252. PROPERTY TAX AUTHORIZED. (a) The district may impose an ad valorem tax on all taxable property in the district to:(1) pay for an improvement project of the types authorized by Section 52(b), Article III, and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; or(2) secure the payment of bonds issued for a purpose described by Subdivision (1).(b) The district may not impose an ad valorem tax to pay for an improvement project under this chapter unless:(1) a written petition has been filed with the board requesting an election to approve the imposition of the tax signed by the owners of at least 60 percent of the assessed value of the property in the district as determined from the most recent certified county property tax rolls; and(2) the imposition of the tax is approved by the voters of the district voting at the requested election.(c) The district may not impose an ad valorem tax on a residential property, including a multiunit residential property or a condominium.Sec. 3950.253. SALES AND USE TAX. (a) The district may impose a sales and use tax if authorized by a majority of the voters of the district voting at an election called for that purpose. Revenue from the tax may be used for any purpose for which ad valorem tax revenue of the district may be used.(b) The district may not adopt a sales and use tax if as a result of the adoption of the tax the combined rate of all sales and use taxes imposed by the district and other political subdivisions of this state having territory in the district would exceed two percent at any location in the district.(c) If the voters of the district approve the adoption of the tax at an election held on the same election date on which another political subdivision adopts a sales and use tax or approves an increase in the rate of its sales and use tax and as a result the combined rate of all sales and use taxes imposed by the district and other political subdivisions of this state having territory in the district would exceed two percent at any location in the district, the election to adopt a sales and use tax under this chapter has no effect.Sec. 3950.254. BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS. (a) The district may issue, by public or private sale, bonds, notes, or other obligations payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, sales and use taxes, or assessments in the manner provided by Subchapter A, Chapter 372, or Subchapter J, Chapter 375, Local Government Code.(b) In exercising the district's borrowing power, the district may issue a bond or other obligation in the form of a bond, note, certificate of participation or other instrument evidencing a proportionate interest in payments to be made by the district, or other type of obligation.(c) In addition to the sources of money described by Subchapter A, Chapter 372, or Subchapter J, Chapter 375, Local Government Code, district bonds may be secured and made payable wholly or partly by a pledge of any part of the money the district receives from improvement revenue or from any other source.Sec. 3950.255. BOND MATURITY. Bonds may mature not more than 40 years from their date of issue.Sec. 3950.256. TAXES FOR BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS. At the time bonds or other obligations payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes are issued:(1) the board shall impose a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax for each year that all or part of the bonds are outstanding; and(2) the district annually shall impose an ad valorem tax on all taxable property in the district in an amount sufficient to:(A) pay the interest on the bonds or other obligations as the interest becomes due; and(B) create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of the bonds or other obligations when due or the redemption price at any earlier required redemption date.SUBCHAPTER G. DISSOLUTIONSec. 3950.301. DISSOLUTION BY ORDINANCE. (a) A municipality that includes territory of the district, in the corporate boundaries or extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality, by ordinance may dissolve the district.(b) The municipality may not dissolve the district until the district's outstanding debt or contractual obligations that are payable from ad valorem taxes have been repaid or discharged, or the municipality has affirmatively assumed the obligation to pay the outstanding debt from municipal revenue.Sec. 3950.302. COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER REVENUE. (a) If the dissolved district has bonds or other obligations outstanding secured by and payable from assessments or other revenue, other than ad valorem taxes, the municipality that dissolves the district shall succeed to the rights and obligations of the district regarding enforcement and collection of the assessments or other revenue.(b) The municipality shall have and exercise all district powers to enforce and collect the assessments or other revenue to pay:(1) the bonds or other obligations when due and payable according to their terms; or(2) special revenue or assessment bonds or other obligations issued by the municipality to refund the outstanding bonds or obligations.Sec. 3950.303. ASSUMPTION OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES. (a) If a municipality dissolves the district, the municipality assumes, subject to the appropriation and availability of funds, the obligations of the district, including any bonds or other debt payable from assessments or other district revenue.(b) If a municipality dissolves the district, the board shall transfer ownership of all district property to the municipality. |  |
| SECTION 2. The Stadium Park Management District initially includes all the territory contained in the following area:Being an area of +/- 1,234 acres (1.93 sq. miles) centered on Kirby Dr. and IH 610 (S Loop W) with said area being more particularly described by the followingBeginning at intersection of north right-of-way (ROW) of Old Spanish Trail/US 90A Hwy. and east ROW of Greenbriar Dr.;Then generally south along east ROW of Greenbriar Dr. across the ROW of Fannin St. to east ROW of Fannin St. and northwest corner of 3.2334 ac. parcel (RES A BLK 1 HOMESTEAD VILLAGE-ASTRODOME);Then south along east ROW of Fannin St. and west boundary of said 3.2334 ac. parcel to a point west of south boundary line of said 3.2334 ac. parcel;Then east along south boundary of said 3.2334 ac. parcel to southeast corner of said parcel and southwest corner of 3.368 ac. parcel (RES A BLK 1 ASTRODOME OAKS SEC 1 R/P PAR R/P);Then north along west boundary of said 3.368 ac. parcel to northwest corner of said parcel;Then east along north boundary of said 3.368 ac. parcel to northeast corner of said parcel;Then south along east boundary of said 3.368 ac. parcel and west ROW of Knight Rd. to a point east of north boundary of 28.7947 ac. tract (TR 1 (BLDGS 1 THRU 25) & TR 1 (BLDGS 16 THRU 32) ASTRODOME OAKS SEC 2 R/P ASTRODOME OAKS SEC 1 R/P);Then generally west along north boundary of said 28.7947 ac. tract to east ROW of Fannin St;Then south along east ROW of Fannin St. and west boundary of said 28.7947 ac. tract, across Holly Hall St., along west boundary of 21.027 ac. tract (RES A BLK 1 HOLLY HALL HOME FOR THE RETIRED 3RD R/P) to southwest corner of said 21.027 ac. tract;Then east, south and east along south boundary of said 21.027 ac. tract, across Knight Rd. to southeast corner of 0.2433 ac. parcel (LTS 1 & 2 BLK 5 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET) and east ROW of Knight Rd.;Then south along east ROW of Knight Rd. across Englemohr St. to northwest corner of 0.1217 ac. parcel (LT 3 BLK 37 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET);Then east along north boundary of said 0.1217 ac. parcel, 0.1148 ac. parcel (LT 5 BLK 37 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.1217 ac. parcel (LT 6 BLK 38 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.2433 ac. parcel (LTS 4 & 5 BLK 38 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.4798 ac. parcel (RES A BLK 1 KATIE FEINGERSH ESTATES), 0.1217 ac. parcel (LT 3 BLK 40 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), across S. David St., 0.2433 ac. parcel (LTS 3 & 4 BLK 41 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.1148 ac. parcel (LT 5 BLK 41 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.1217 ac. parcel (LT 6 BLK 42 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.2433 ac. parcel (LTS 4 & 5 BLK 42 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.1217 ac. parcel (LT 4 BLK 43 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.1217 ac. parcel (LT 5 BLK 43 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.1217 ac. parcel (LT 6 BLK 43 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.1148 ac. parcel (LT 5 BLK 44 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET), 0.2433 ac. parcel (LTS 3 & 4 BLK 44 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET) to northeast corner of said 0.2433 ac. parcel and west ROW Cambridge St.;Then north along west ROW of Cambridge St. to north ROW of Holly Hall St;Then east along north ROW of Holly Hall St. to centerline of FM 521 Rd. (Almeda Rd.);Then south by west along centerline of FM 521 Rd. (Almeda Rd.) to north ROW of westbound feeder road IH 610 (S Loop W);Then generally west along north ROW of westbound feeder road IH 610 (S Loop W) to a point north of northeast corner of 14.01 ac. tract (TR 1U ABST 874 J WALTERS);Then south across ROW of IH 610 (S Loop W) and along east boundary of said 14.01 ac. tract to southeast corner of said tract and north boundary of 15.0459 ac. tract (TRS 2A-1 2B-2 & 2C-2 ABST 874 J WALTERS);Then east northeast along north boundary of said 15.0459 ac. tract to northeast corner of said tract and west ROW of Knight Rd.;Then east across ROW of Knight Rd. to east ROW of Knight Rd.;Then south along east ROW of Knight Rd. to south ROW of Holmes Rd.;Then west southwest along south ROW of Holmes Rd. to a point south of southwest corner of 12.5087 ac. parcel (RES A4 BLK 1 CORPORATE CENTRE KIRBY);Then north across ROW of Holmes Rd. along west boundary of said 12.5087 ac. parcel, 9.766 ac. parcel (RES A2 BLK 1 CORPORATE CENTRE KIRBY) to northwest corner of said 9.766 ac. parcel and south boundary of 8 ac. parcel (TRS 3 THRU 10 IN TR 8 ABST 179 BBB&C RR CO);Then west along south boundary of said 8 ac. parcel, 1 ac. tract (TR 1 IN TR 8 ABST 179 BBB&C RR CO) to southwest corner of said 1 ac. tract and east boundary of 15.47 ac. parcel (RESERVE BLK 1 MOORINGS APTS R/P);Then north along east boundary of said 15.47 ac. parcel to northeast corner of said parcel;Then west along north boundary of said 15.47 ac. parcel, across Lakes at 610 Dr. to west ROW of Lakes at 610 Dr.;Then north along west ROW of Lakes at 610 Dr. to south ROW of W. Bellfort Ave.;Then generally west along south ROW of W. Bellfort Ave. to west ROW of S. Main St.;Then northeast by north along west ROW of S. Main St. to south ROW of eastbound feeder road IH 610 (S Loop W);Then northeast to intersection of ROW centerline of S. Main St. and IH 610 (S Loop W);Then northeast by north along ROW centerline of S. Main St. to a point northwest by north of north corner of 1.3593 ac. tract (TR 7H-1A ABST 645 P W ROSE) at south ROW of Braeswood Park St.;Then southeast by east across east ROW of S. Main St. and along north boundary of said 1.3593 ac. tract to east corner of said parcel;Then southwest by south along east boundary of said 1.3593 ac. tract to south corner of said tract and north boundary of 1.417 ac. parcel (RES A BLK 1 RESIDENCE INN MEDICAL CENTER);Then east northeast along north boundary of said 1.417 ac. parcel to northeast corner of said parcel and west boundary of 5.566 ac. parcel (RES C BLK 1 KIRBY OST ASSOCIATES);Then generally south southeast along east boundary of said 1.417 ac. tract and west boundary of said 5.566 ac. parcel to north ROW of Old Spanish Trail/US 90A Hwy.;Then east by north along north ROW of Old Spanish Trail/US 90A Hwy. to east ROW of Greenbriar St and point of beginning of +/- 1,234 ac. area.Save and Except CITY PLAZA CONDO;Save and Except PLAZA DEL ORO SEC 2 R/P RES A;Save and Except PLAZA DEL ORO SEC 1 RES B5;Save and Except KNIGHTS MAIN STREET LTS 1 3 & TR 2 BLK 9;Save and Except NAOMI AVENUE PLACE LTS 1-12 BLK 1;Save and Except KNIGHTS MAIN STREET LTS 1 THRU 5 BLK 12;Save and Except SOUTH POINT BUSINESS PARK SEC 2 RES J;Save and Except SOUTH POINT BUSINESS PARK SEC 4 RES D2;Save and Except SOUTH POINT BUSINESS PARK SEC 4 RES D3;Save and Except SOUTH POINT BUSINESS PARK SEC 4 RES E;Save and Except Harris County Improvement District No. 8;Save and Except MIKE CALVERT TOYOTA RES A BLK 1;Save and Except LAKES AT 610 SEC 1 RES E1;Save and Except LAKES AT 610 SEC 1 RES A4-A A5-A A6 & A7;Save and Except CENTRAL HOUSTON NISSAN RES A BLK 1;Save and Except LAKES AT 610 SEC 2 RES A1-C;Save and Except LAKES AT 610 SEC 3 RES A1;Save and Except PARK LAKE APT BLDGS 1 THRU 29;Save and Except ABST 887 J HAMILTON TR 31C;Save and Except ABST 887 J HAMILTON TR 32;Save and Except BUFFALO SPEEDWAY LTS 1-24 BLK 1;Save and Except BUFFALO SPEEDWAY PERMANENT ACCESS ESMT;Save and Except BUFFALO SPEEDWAY RES A BLK 1;Save and Except BUFFALO SPEEDWAY RES B BLK 1;Save and Except BUFFALO SPEEDWAY RES C BLK 1;Save and Except MAIN MEDICAL PLAZA RES A BLK 1;Save and Except SOUTH LOOP / SOUTH MAIN RES C1-A BLK 1;Save and Except HEARTHWOOD CONDO SEC 1 BLDGS 1-19;Save and Except ABST 645 P W ROSE TR 8;Save and Except TRS 6 7 & 10 & TR 4B ABST 874 J WALTERS & TRS 6 7 & 10 ABST 887 J HAMILTON ABST 645 P W ROSE;Save and Except HOWARD JOHNSON-ASTRODOME RES A BLK 1;Save and Except ABST 645 P W ROSE TR 5 & TRS 5 & 8A ABST 887 J HAMILTON;Save and Except REINGERSH ESTATES RES A BLK 1;Save and Except HEARTHWOOD BUSINESS PARK SEC 1 RES A;Save and Except ABST 887 J HAMILTON TR 28;Save and Except HEARTHWOOD 2 CONDO PH 1-6;Save and Except ABST 887 J HAMILTON TR 1B-7;Save and Except HEARTHWOOD BUSINESS PARK SEC 2 RES B1;Save and Except ABST 887 J HAMILTON TR 1B-6;Save and Except R & S PARK PT RES B BLK 1 (POLLUTION CONTROL) (DETENTION POND);Save and Except R & S PARK PT RES B BLK 1 (PC\*1200210010003);Save and Except ABST 887 J HAMILTON TR 28A;Save and Except ABST 887 J HAMILTON TR 15A;Save and Except RES A BLK 1 FANNIN AT THE LOOP;Save and Except LTS 3-5 BLK 37 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except LTS 4-6 BLK 38 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except LTS 1-6 BLK 60 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except LTS 1-2, 6 BLK 61 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except RES A LAKES AT 610 SEC 2;Save and Except LT 6 BLK 13 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except LTS 1 & 2 BLK 14 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except LTS 1 & 2 BLK 13 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except LTS 3 4 & 5 & TR 7 BLK 13 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except RES A BLK 1 GRAINGER SOUTH LOOP;Save and Except LT 4 BLK 14 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET;Save and Except LTS 5 & 6 BLK 14 KNIGHTS MAIN STREET; | SECTION 2. Same as House version. |  |
| SECTION 3. (a) The legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code.(b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.(c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.(d) The general law relating to consent by political subdivisions to the creation of districts with conservation, reclamation, and road powers and the inclusion of land in those districts has been complied with.(e) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act have been fulfilled and accomplished. | SECTION 3. Same as House version. |  |
| SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017. | SECTION 4. Same as House version. |  |