

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 2456
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that there is a need to codify and amend the powers and duties of the Karis Municipal Management District of Tarrant County and change the district's territory in order to help the district better serve its local community. S.B. 2456 seeks to achieve this goal.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

S.B. 2456 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to establish provisions relating to the Karis Municipal Management District of Tarrant County. The bill provides for, among other provisions, the addition and exclusion of land by the district, the inapplicability of certain residential property tax exemptions, the use of a roadway, park, or other public area or facility of the district, and the dissolution of the district by the City of Crowley. The bill authorizes the district to adopt and enforce certain rules and provides for a civil penalty of not less than \$25 or more than \$250 for each violation of such rules. The bill sets out the district's powers and duties, which include development corporation powers, water district powers, road district powers, navigation district powers, and, subject to certain requirements, the authority to undertake certain improvement projects, issue obligations, establish storm water and nonpotable water user charges, impose assessments, and grant certain tax and assessment abatements. The bill prohibits the district from exercising the power of eminent domain and exempts certain borrowing from attorney general approval. The bill sets out the district's territory.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.