By:  Bell of Montgomery (Senate Sponsor - Creighton) H.B. No. 4731

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 6, 2019; May 7, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental Relations; May 17, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 17, 2019, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Lucio                X

Schwertner           X

Alvarado             X

Campbell             X

Fallon               X

Menéndez             X

Nichols              X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the name and powers of the Harris County Improvement District No. 17; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose a tax.

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

SECTION 1.  The heading to Chapter 3891, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 3891. HARRIS-MONTGOMERY COUNTIES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT [~~HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 17~~]

SECTION 2.  Section 3891.001, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by amending Subdivision (3) and adding Subdivision (4) to read as follows:

(3)  "District" means the Harris-Montgomery Counties Management District [~~Harris County Improvement District No. 17~~].

(4)  "Recreational facilities" has the meaning assigned by Section 49.462, Water Code.

SECTION 3.  Section 3891.002, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 3891.002.  NATURE OF DISTRICT. The Harris-Montgomery Counties Management District [~~Harris County Improvement District No. 17~~] is a special district created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

SECTION 4.  Subchapter A, Chapter 3891, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 3891.008 to read as follows:

Sec. 3891.008.  INAPPLICABILITY OF OPTION TO SELECT EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION. Section 54.0163, Water Code, does not apply to the district.

SECTION 5.  Subchapter C, Chapter 3891, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 3891.1071 to read as follows:

Sec. 3891.1071.  PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT POWERS. The district has the powers provided by Chapter 372, Local Government Code, to a municipality or county.

SECTION 6.  Subchapter D, Chapter 3891, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 3891.1571 to read as follows:

Sec. 3891.1571.  BONDS FOR RECREATIONAL FACILITIES. The limitation on the outstanding principal amount of bonds, notes, and other obligations provided by Section 49.4645, Water Code, does not apply to the district.

SECTION 7.  (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)  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 8.  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, 2019.

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