

1-1 By: Bettencourt S.B. No. 2524  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed April 3, 2019; April 4, 2019, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental  
 1-4 Relations; April 17, 2019, reported favorably by the following  
 1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; April 17, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7	X			
1-8	X			
1-9	X			
1-10	X			
1-11	X			
1-12	X			
1-13	X			
1-14	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the powers and duties of the Harris County Municipal  
 1-18 Utility District No. 375; providing authority to issue bonds.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws  
 1-21 Code, is amended by adding Chapter 8043 to read as follows:

1-22 CHAPTER 8043. HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 375

1-23 SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1-24 Sec. 8043.0101. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district"  
 1-25 means the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 375.

1-26 Sec. 8043.0102. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC PURPOSE AND BENEFIT.

1-27 (a) The district is created to serve a public purpose and benefit.

1-28 (b) The district is created to accomplish the purposes of:

1-29 (1) a municipal utility district as provided by  
 1-30 general law and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; and

1-31 (2) Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, that  
 1-32 relate to the construction, acquisition, improvement, operation,  
 1-33 or maintenance of macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or  
 1-34 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

1-35 SUBCHAPTER B. POWERS AND DUTIES

1-36 Sec. 8043.0201. AUTHORITY FOR ROAD PROJECTS. Under Section  
 1-37 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, the district may design,  
 1-38 acquire, construct, finance, issue bonds for, improve, operate,  
 1-39 maintain, and convey to this state, a county, or a municipality for  
 1-40 operation and maintenance macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or  
 1-41 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

1-42 Sec. 8043.0202. ROAD STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS. (a) A  
 1-43 road project must meet all applicable construction standards,  
 1-44 zoning and subdivision requirements, and regulations of each  
 1-45 municipality in whose corporate limits or extraterritorial  
 1-46 jurisdiction the road project is located.

1-47 (b) If a road project is not located in the corporate limits  
 1-48 or extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality, the road  
 1-49 project must meet all applicable construction standards,  
 1-50 subdivision requirements, and regulations of each county in which  
 1-51 the road project is located.

1-52 (c) If the state will maintain and operate the road, the  
 1-53 Texas Transportation Commission must approve the plans and  
 1-54 specifications of the road project.

1-55 SUBCHAPTER C. BONDS

1-56 Sec. 8043.0301. BONDS FOR ROAD PROJECTS. At the time of  
 1-57 issuance, the total principal amount of bonds or other obligations  
 1-58 issued or incurred to finance road projects and payable from ad  
 1-59 valorem taxes may not exceed one-fourth of the assessed value of the  
 1-60 real property in the district.

1-61 SECTION 2. (a) The legal notice of the intention to

2-1 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this  
2-2 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a  
2-3 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,  
2-4 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished  
2-5 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,  
2-6 Government Code.

2-7 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has  
2-8 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on  
2-9 Environmental Quality.

2-10 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed  
2-11 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the  
2-12 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of  
2-13 representatives within the required time.

2-14 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this  
2-15 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect  
2-16 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled  
2-17 and accomplished.

2-18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2-19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2-20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2-21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-22 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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