

AN ACT

relating to the powers of the Hidalgo County Drainage District Number 1; authorizing the issuance of bonds.

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

SECTION 1. In this Act, "district" means the Hidalgo County Drainage District Number 1.

SECTION 2. (a) District revenue bonds may be secured as described by a board resolution by a pledge of:

(1) all or part of the district's gross revenue, other than taxation, minus the amount necessary to pay the cost of maintaining and operating the district and its property;

(2) the net revenue of a contract made at any time; or

(3) other revenue specified by board resolution.

(b) The pledge may reserve the right to issue additional bonds on a parity with or subordinate to the bonds being issued, subject to conditions specified by the pledge.

(c) District revenue bonds not payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes may be issued without an election.

SECTION 3. (a) The district may sell reclaimed water at wholesale and sell reclaimed water on a retail basis to the extent that the sale does not conflict with a certificate of convenience and necessity.

(b) The district may enter into public-private partnership agreements to fund infrastructure improvements needed to sell

1 reclaimed water to consumers.

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

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

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

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

20 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4663 was passed by the House on May 14, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 104, Nays 41, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 4663 on May 28, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 98, Nays 44, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4663 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 24, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor