

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.S.B. 3047
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Intergovernmental Affairs
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The bill sponsor has informed the committee of the need for a management district to be created in Travis County for the benefit of certain undeveloped land and to deliver the essential infrastructure—water, wastewater, roadways, and drainage—that this area currently lacks. C.S.S.B. 3047 seeks to provide for the creation of the Pura Vida Municipal Management District No. 1.

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 rulemaking authority is expressly granted to the comptroller of public accounts in SECTION 1 of this bill.

ANALYSIS

C.S.S.B. 3047 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to create the Pura Vida Municipal Management District No. 1 to provide certain improvements, projects, and services for public use and benefit. The bill, among other provisions, grants the district the power to undertake certain road projects and provides for the addition or exclusion of land from the district, the division and dissolution of the district, and the authorized creation of a nonprofit corporation and economic development programs. The district's powers and duties include, subject to certain requirements, the authority to issue obligations and to impose assessments and hotel occupancy, property, operation and maintenance, and sales and use taxes. The bill provides for the district's authority to use proceeds from the hotel occupancy tax for qualified hotel and convention center projects and authorizes the comptroller of public accounts to adopt rules necessary to implement and administer the bill's provisions relating to that authority. The bill provides for the district's authority to exercise the power of eminent domain, contingent on the bill receiving a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to each house. If the bill does not receive such a vote, the district is expressly prohibited from exercising that power.

C.S.S.B. 3047 establishes that all applicable requirements relating to the following have been fulfilled and accomplished with respect to the bill:

- the legal notice of intention to introduce;
- governor action;
- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality recommendations; and
- the state constitution and laws and legislative rules and procedures.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2025.

COMPARISON OF SENATE ENGROSSED AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.S.B. 3047 may differ from the engrossed in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the engrossed and committee substitute versions of the bill.

While both versions authorize the district to use the proceeds from a hotel occupancy tax imposed under the bill's provisions for the purposes described by Tax Code provisions relating to use of revenue from county hotel occupancy taxes, the substitute does not include the specification from the engrossed for the district to use those proceeds for any of the district's purposes and to the extent the board considers appropriate.