

By: Bell of Montgomery

H.B. No. 5698

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the name of and appointment of directors for the  
Harris-Montgomery Counties Management District.

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. SOUTHEAST REGIONAL [~~HARRIS-MONTGOMERY COUNTIES~~]  
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

SECTION 2. Section 3891.001(3), Special District Local Laws  
Code, is amended to read as follows:

(3) "District" means the Southeast Regional  
[~~Harris-Montgomery Counties~~] Management District.

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

Sec. 3891.002. NATURE OF DISTRICT. The Southeast Regional  
[~~Harris-Montgomery Counties~~] Management District is a special  
district created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

SECTION 4. Sections 3891.052(a) and (e), Special District  
Local Laws Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The board shall:

(1) recommend to the Harris County Commissioners Court  
persons to serve on a [the] succeeding board; or

(2) petition the Texas Commission on Environmental  
Quality to appoint persons to serve on a succeeding board.

1           (e) If the board petitions the Texas Commission on  
2 Environmental Quality under Subsection (a) for the appointment of  
3 persons to serve on a succeeding board [~~any provision of~~  
4 ~~Subsections (a) through (d) is found to be invalid~~], the commission  
5 [~~Texas Commission on Environmental Quality~~] shall appoint the  
6 succeeding board from recommendations of persons to serve on the  
7 succeeding board submitted by the board.

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

15           (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has  
16 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on  
17 Environmental Quality.

18           (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed  
19 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the  
20 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of  
21 representatives within the required time.

22           (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this  
23 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect  
24 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled  
25 and accomplished.

26           SECTION 6. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
27 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.