

SENATE AMENDMENTS
2nd Printing

By: Paul, Martinez, Perez of Harris, Cain, H.B. No. 2970
et al.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the implementation of projects by the Gulf Coast
3 Protection District.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 9502.0301, Special District Local Laws
6 Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

7 (f) Implementation of a project described by Subsection (a)
8 may not disrupt navigation safety or two-way traffic, as defined by
9 Section 66.0172, Transportation Code, in a manner that violates a
10 rule adopted by the board of pilot commissioners for the ports of
11 Harris County under Chapter 66, Transportation Code.

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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Secretary of the Senate

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H.B. No. 2970

Substitute the following for ~~H.B.~~ No. 2970:

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C.S.H.B. No. 2970

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the management and operation of the Gulf Coast
3 Protection District.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 9502.0201(i), Special District Local
6 Laws Code, is amended to read as follows:

7 (i) The governor [~~board~~] shall appoint [~~elect~~] a presiding
8 officer from among the directors to serve in that position for two
9 years. A director may serve as the presiding officer for not more
10 than two consecutive terms.

11 SECTION 2. Section 9502.0301, Special District Local Laws
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16 rule adopted by the board of pilot commissioners for the ports of
17 Harris County under Chapter 66, Transportation Code.

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19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 14, 2025

TO: Honorable Dustin Burrows, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2970 by Paul (Relating to the management and operation of the Gulf Coast Protection District.),
As Passed 2nd House

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

It is assumed that any costs associated with the bill could be absorbed using existing resources.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: JMc, SD, TUf, BC, CWi

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 8, 2025

TO: Honorable Brian Birdwell, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2970 by Paul (relating to the management and operation of the Gulf Coast Protection District.),
Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

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Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: JMc, TUf, BC, CWi

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 2, 2025

TO: Honorable Brian Birdwell, Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2970 by Paul (Relating to the implementation of projects by the Gulf Coast Protection District.),
As Engrossed

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

March 31, 2025

TO: Honorable Cody Harris, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2970 by Paul (Relating to the implementation of projects by the Gulf Coast Protection District.),
As Introduced

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Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: JMc, TUf, BC, CWi

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

WATER DEVELOPMENT POLICY IMPACT STATEMENT

89TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 1, 2025

TO: Honorable Cody Harris, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2970 by Paul (Relating to the implementation of projects by the Gulf Coast Protection District.),
As Introduced

The Legislative Budget Board, in cooperation with the Texas Water Development Board and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, has determined that:

No Water Development Policy Impact Statement is required for this bill under the provisions of Texas Constitution, Article 16, Section 59(d) as this bill does not create a conservation and reclamation district.

Source
Agencies: 580 Water Development Board, 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

LBB Staff: JMc, TUf, CMA, SZ