

1-1 By: Flynn (Senate Sponsor - Hall) H.B. No. 797
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2015;
 1-3 April 30, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 13, 2015, reported favorably by
 1-5 the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 13, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Lucio	X			
1-8 Bettencourt	X			
1-9 Campbell	X			
1-10 Garcia	X			
1-11 Menéndez	X			
1-12 Nichols			X	
1-13 Taylor of Galveston	X			
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the Hunt Memorial Hospital District; authorizing the
 1-18 issuance of bonds.

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

1-20 SECTION 1. Section 1044.052, Special District Local Laws
 1-21 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-22 Sec. 1044.052. NOTICE OF ELECTION. ~~Notice [At least 10 days~~
 1-23 ~~before the date] of an election of directors[, notice of the~~
 1-24 ~~election] shall be published in accordance with Section 4.003,~~
 1-25 ~~Election Code, [at least one time] in a newspaper of general~~
 1-26 ~~circulation in the district.~~

1-27 SECTION 2. Section 1044.053, Special District Local Laws
 1-28 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-29 Sec. 1044.053. BALLOT APPLICATION [~~PETITION~~]. A person who
 1-30 wants to have the person's name printed on the ballot as a candidate
 1-31 for director must file with the board secretary an application in
 1-32 accordance with Chapter 144, Election Code [a petition requesting
 1-33 that action. The petition must:

1-34 ~~[(1) be signed by at least 25 registered voters who~~
 1-35 ~~reside in the district,~~

1-36 ~~[(2) be filed at least 31 days before the date of the~~
 1-37 ~~election; and~~

1-38 ~~[(3) specify the county commissioners precinct the~~
 1-39 ~~candidate wants to represent or specify that the candidate wants to~~
 1-40 ~~represent the district at large].~~

1-41 SECTION 3. Section 1044.103, Special District Local Laws
 1-42 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-43 Sec. 1044.103. MEDICAL FACILITIES; LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It
 1-44 is the intent of the legislature that the people of Hunt County be
 1-45 provided with the best and most modern health care available. To
 1-46 achieve that intent, the district may locate [provide] a medical or
 1-47 related facility in the city of Commerce, [and] in another area
 1-48 [other areas] of Hunt County, or in another county if the board
 1-49 finds that providing a facility is feasible and in the best interest
 1-50 of district residents.

1-51 SECTION 4. Subchapter E, Chapter 1044, Special District
 1-52 Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Sections 1044.206, 1044.207,
 1-53 1044.208, and 1044.209 to read as follows:

1-54 Sec. 1044.206. REVENUE BONDS. (a) The board may issue
 1-55 revenue bonds to:

1-56 (1) acquire, purchase, construct, repair, renovate,
 1-57 or equip buildings or improvements for hospital purposes; or

1-58 (2) acquire sites to be used for hospital purposes.

1-59 (b) The bonds must be payable from and secured by a pledge of
 1-60 all or part of the revenues derived from the operation of the
 1-61 district's hospital system, including district facilities.

