

1-1 By: Wu (Senate Sponsor - Ellis) H.B. No. 4131  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 27, 2015;  
1-3 May 4, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 20, 2015, reported favorably by  
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 20, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to competitive bidding procedures and election  
1-18 requirements for the Westchase District.

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

1-20 SECTION 1. Sections 3802.159(a) and (c), Special District  
1-21 Local Laws Code, are amended to read as follows:

1-22 (a) In addition to the elections required under Subchapter  
1-23 L, Chapter 375, Local Government Code, the district must hold an  
1-24 election in the manner provided by that subchapter to obtain voter  
1-25 approval before the district may:

1-26 (1) impose a maintenance tax; or

1-27 (2) issue a bond payable from ad valorem taxes [~~or~~  
1-28 ~~assessments~~].

1-29 (c) The board may not call a bond [~~an~~] election under this  
1-30 chapter unless a written petition requesting the [~~an~~] election has  
1-31 been filed with the board. The petition must be signed by:

1-32 (1) the owners of a majority of the assessed value of  
1-33 real property in the district according to the most recent  
1-34 certified tax appraisal roll for Harris County; or

1-35 (2) at least 50 persons who own property in the  
1-36 district, if there are more than 50 persons who own property in the  
1-37 district according to the most recent certified tax appraisal roll  
1-38 for Harris County.

1-39 SECTION 2. Section 3802.104, Special District Local Laws  
1-40 Code, is repealed.

1-41 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-42 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-43 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-44 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-45 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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