

1-1 By: Schofield (Senate Sponsor - Kolckhorst) H.B. No. 4203
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 24, 2015;
 1-3 May 24, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Administration; May 26, 2015, reported favorably by the following
 1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 26, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Hancock	X			
1-8 Uresti	X			
1-9 Campbell	X			
1-10 Eltife	X			
1-11 Huffines	X			
1-12 Schwertner	X			
1-13 West	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the substitution of land within the boundaries of the
 1-18 Harris County Water Control and Improvement District No. 159 after
 1-19 the approval or issuance of district bonds payable wholly or partly
 1-20 from taxes.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-22 SECTION 1. Subtitle I, Title 6, Special District Local Laws
 1-23 Code, is amended by adding Chapter 9069 to read as follows:
 1-24 CHAPTER 9069. HARRIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

1-25 NO. 159
 1-26 SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS
 1-27 Sec. 9069.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district"
 1-28 means the Harris County Water Control and Improvement District No.
 1-29 159.

1-30 Sec. 9069.002. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC PURPOSE AND BENEFIT. (a)
 1-31 The district is created to serve a public purpose and benefit.
 1-32 (b) The district is created to accomplish the purposes of a
 1-33 water control and improvement district as provided by general law
 1-34 and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

1-35 SUBCHAPTER B. SUBSTITUTION OF LAND
 1-36 Sec. 9069.051. SUBSTITUTING LAND OF AT LEAST EQUAL VALUE.
 1-37 After the district is organized and has obtained voter approval for
 1-38 the issuance of, or has sold, bonds payable wholly or partly from ad
 1-39 valorem taxes, land within the district boundaries subject to
 1-40 taxation that does not need or utilize the services of the district
 1-41 may be excluded and other land not within the boundaries of the
 1-42 district may be included within the boundaries of the district
 1-43 without impairment of the security for payment of the bonds or
 1-44 invalidation of any prior bond election, as provided by this
 1-45 section and Sections 54.740 through 54.747, Water Code.

1-46 Sec. 9069.052. CONSTRUCTION OF SUBCHAPTER. This subchapter
 1-47 shall be construed to supplement and not to supplant the provisions
 1-48 of general law applicable to the exclusion of land from the district
 1-49 or the inclusion of land within the district.

1-50 SECTION 2. (a) The legal notice of the intention to
 1-51 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this
 1-52 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a
 1-53 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,
 1-54 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished
 1-55 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,
 1-56 Government Code.

1-57 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has
 1-58 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
 1-59 Environmental Quality.

1-60 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed
 1-61 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the

2-1 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
2-2 representatives within the required time.

2-3 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
2-4 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
2-5 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
2-6 and accomplished.

2-7 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-8 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-9 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-10 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-11 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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