

1-1 By: Creighton S.B. No. 2248  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 21, 2017; April 3, 2017, read  
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental  
 1-4 Relations; May 2, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable  
 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 4, Nays 3;  
 1-6 May 2, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	X			
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1-10		X		
1-11	X			
1-12		X		
1-13	X			
1-14	X			
1-15		X		

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2248 By: Garcia

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the powers of the Harris County Improvement District  
 1-20 No. 17.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 3891, Special District  
 1-23 Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 3891.109 to read as  
 1-24 follows:

1-25 Sec. 3891.109. ENFORCEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY RESTRICTIONS.  
 1-26 The district may enforce a real property restriction in the manner  
 1-27 provided by Section 54.237, Water Code, if, in the reasonable  
 1-28 judgment of the board, the enforcement of the restriction is  
 1-29 necessary.

1-30 SECTION 2. Section 3891.153, Special District Local Laws  
 1-31 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-32 Sec. 3891.153. AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BONDS AND OTHER  
 1-33 OBLIGATIONS. (a) The district may issue bonds, notes, or other  
 1-34 obligations payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, sales  
 1-35 and use taxes, assessments, impact fees, revenue, contract  
 1-36 payments, grants, or other district money, or any combination of  
 1-37 those sources of money, to pay for any authorized district purpose.

1-38 (b) The limitation on the outstanding principal amount of  
 1-39 bonds, notes, and other obligations provided by Section 49.4645,  
 1-40 Water Code, does not apply to the district.

1-41 SECTION 3. Subchapter D, Chapter 3891, Special District  
 1-42 Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Section 3891.159 to read as  
 1-43 follows:

1-44 Sec. 3891.159. POWERS OF MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT TO  
 1-45 ESTABLISH DEFINED AREAS AND DESIGNATED PROPERTY; TAXES; BONDS.

1-46 (a) The district has the powers of a municipal utility district  
 1-47 under Subchapter J, Chapter 54, Water Code, including the power to:

1-48 (1) implement a plan;

1-49 (2) issue bonds; and

1-50 (3) impose a tax in a defined area established under  
 1-51 that subchapter.

1-52 (b) The district may exercise the powers described by  
 1-53 Subsection (a) regardless of whether the district is composed of  
 1-54 the minimum number of acres provided by Section 54.801, Water Code.

1-55 SECTION 4. (a) The legal notice of the intention to  
 1-56 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this  
 1-57 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a  
 1-58 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,  
 1-59 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished  
 1-60 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,

2-1 Government Code.

2-2 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has  
2-3 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on  
2-4 Environmental Quality.

2-5 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed  
2-6 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor,  
2-7 lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house of representatives  
2-8 within the required time.

2-9 (d) The general law relating to consent by political  
2-10 subdivisions to the creation of districts with conservation,  
2-11 reclamation, and road powers and the inclusion of land in those  
2-12 districts has been complied with.

2-13 (e) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this  
2-14 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect  
2-15 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act have been  
2-16 fulfilled and accomplished.

2-17 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2-18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2-19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2-20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-21 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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