

1-1 By: Bettencourt S.B. No. 2525
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed April 3, 2019; April 4, 2019, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Intergovernmental
1-4 Relations; April 17, 2019, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; April 17, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-13	X			
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the powers and duties of the Harris County Municipal
1-18 Utility District No. 376; providing authority to issue bonds.

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

1-20 SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws
1-21 Code, is amended by adding Chapter 8044 to read as follows:

1-22 CHAPTER 8044. HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 376

1-23 SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1-24 Sec. 8044.0101. DEFINITION. In this chapter, "district"
1-25 means the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 376.

1-26 Sec. 8044.0102. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC PURPOSE AND BENEFIT.

1-27 (a) The district is created to serve a public purpose and benefit.

1-28 (b) The district is created to accomplish the purposes of:

1-29 (1) a municipal utility district as provided by
1-30 general law and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; and

1-31 (2) Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, that
1-32 relate to the construction, acquisition, improvement, operation,
1-33 or maintenance of macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or
1-34 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

1-35 SUBCHAPTER B. POWERS AND DUTIES

1-36 Sec. 8044.0201. AUTHORITY FOR ROAD PROJECTS. Under Section
1-37 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, the district may design,
1-38 acquire, construct, finance, issue bonds for, improve, operate,
1-39 maintain, and convey to this state, a county, or a municipality for
1-40 operation and maintenance macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or
1-41 improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

1-42 Sec. 8044.0202. ROAD STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS. (a) A
1-43 road project must meet all applicable construction standards,
1-44 zoning and subdivision requirements, and regulations of each
1-45 municipality in whose corporate limits or extraterritorial
1-46 jurisdiction the road project is located.

1-47 (b) If a road project is not located in the corporate limits
1-48 or extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality, the road
1-49 project must meet all applicable construction standards,
1-50 subdivision requirements, and regulations of each county in which
1-51 the road project is located.

1-52 (c) If the state will maintain and operate the road, the
1-53 Texas Transportation Commission must approve the plans and
1-54 specifications of the road project.

1-55 SUBCHAPTER C. BONDS

1-56 Sec. 8044.0301. BONDS FOR ROAD PROJECTS. At the time of
1-57 issuance, the total principal amount of bonds or other obligations
1-58 issued or incurred to finance road projects and payable from ad
1-59 valorem taxes may not exceed one-fourth of the assessed value of the
1-60 real property in the district.

1-61 SECTION 2. (a) The legal notice of the intention to

2-1 introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this
2-2 Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a
2-3 copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies,
2-4 officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished
2-5 under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313,
2-6 Government Code.

2-7 (b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has
2-8 submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on
2-9 Environmental Quality.

2-10 (c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed
2-11 its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the
2-12 lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
2-13 representatives within the required time.

2-14 (d) All requirements of the constitution and laws of this
2-15 state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect
2-16 to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled
2-17 and accomplished.

2-18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-22 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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