

**SENATE**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

COMMITTEE: Local Government  
TIME & DATE: 9:00 AM, Thursday, May 22, 2025  
PLACE: 2E.20 (Betty King Cmte. Rm.)  
CHAIR: Senator Paul Bettencourt

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**HB 103** Troxclair | et al. SP: Bettencourt  
Relating to the creation and maintenance of a database of taxing unit bond, tax, and bond-related project information; providing a civil penalty.

**HB 5671** Kerwin SP: King  
Relating to the election of directors for and the authority to issue bonds of the Johnson County Special Utility District.

**HB 5688** Lopez, Janie SP: Hinojosa, Adam  
Relating to the creation of the San Benito Municipal Utility District No. 1; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**HB 5695** Gerdes SP: Schwertner  
Relating to the creation of the Sayers Ranch Municipal Utility District; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**HB 5320** Guillen SP: Zaffirini  
Relating to the powers, duties, and governance of the Starr County Drainage District, the change of the name of the Starr County Drainage District to the Starr County Drainage and Groundwater Conservation District, the dissolution of the Starr County Groundwater Conservation District, and the transfer of the assets and liabilities of the Starr County Groundwater Conservation District to the Starr County Drainage and Groundwater Conservation District; authorizing the imposition of a tax.

**HB 5437** Kitzman SP: Kolkhorst  
Relating to the validation of the creation of and certain acts of the Austin County Municipal Utility District No. 1.

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**HB 5651** Metcalf SP: Creighton  
Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Water Control and Improvement District No. 7; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**HB 5654** Metcalf SP: Kolkhorst  
Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 263; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**HB 5656** Lalani SP: Kolkhorst  
Relating to the creation of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 263; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**HB 5661** Gates SP: Huffman  
Relating to the creation of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 286; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**HB 5662** Gates SP: Kolkhorst  
Relating to the powers, duties, and authority to issue bonds of the Fort Bend County Water Control and Improvement District No. 12 related to roads.

**HB 5665** Kitzman SP: Kolkhorst  
Relating to the creation of the Waller County Municipal Utility District No. 70; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**HB 5670** Holt SP: Creighton  
Relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 259; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

**HB 5672** Zwiener SP: Campbell  
Relating to the boundaries of, and validating certain acts and proceedings of, the Driftwood Conservation District.

**HB 5674** Wilson SP: Flores  
Relating to the creation of the River Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

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<b>HB 5679</b>	Geren	SP: Hagenbuch
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Relating to the creation of the Hills of Walnut Creek Municipal Utility District of Parker County; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

<b>HB 5694</b>	Luther	SP: Hughes
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Relating to the creation of the Fannin County Improvement District No. 1; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

<b>HB 5699</b>	Schofield	SP: Huffman
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Relating to the authority of the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 405 to exclude territory; validating and confirming all previous acts of the district.

<b>HB 5658</b>	Patterson	SP: Hagenbuch
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Relating to the creation of the Craver Ranch Municipal Management District No. 1; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments and fees; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

<b>HB 5677</b>	Cole	SP: Zaffirini
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Relating to the creation of the Pura Vida Municipal Management District No. 1; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

<b>HB 5680</b>	Holt	SP: Nichols
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Relating to the creation of the Bayou Belle Municipal Management District No. 1; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

<b>HB 5682</b>	Richardson	SP: Paxton
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Relating to the creation of the Colmena Ranch Municipal Management District No. 1; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments and fees.

<b>HB 5696</b>	Cook	SP: Birdwell
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Relating to the creation of The Reserve Municipal Management District; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

<b>HB 5666</b>	Oliverson	SP: Bettencourt
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Relating to the creation of the Fenske Road Municipal Utility District of Harris County; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

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<b>HB 851</b>	Schofield	SP: Bettencourt
Relating to the determination and reporting of the number of residence homesteads of certain property owners for which the owner is receiving certain ad valorem tax benefits.		
<b>HB 1449</b>	Capriglione	SP: Parker
Relating to permits for mobile food service establishments operating in certain counties.		
<b>HB 1629</b>	Landgraf   et al.	SP: Zaffirini
Relating to fireworks sales to the public by retail fireworks permit holders in certain counties.		
<b>HB 1646</b>	Lujan   et al.	SP: Hinojosa, Adam
Relating to the amount of an expenditure that may be paid by an emergency services district employee without board approval.		
<b>HB 1991</b>	Guillen   et al.	SP: Gutierrez
Relating to information regarding certain charges for services provided by municipally owned utility systems.		
<b>HB 2293</b>	Vasut	SP: Huffman
Relating to the election of the members of the board of directors of the Sweeny Hospital District.		
<b>HB 2508</b>	Turner   et al.	SP: Hughes
Relating to an exemption from ad valorem taxation of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a veteran who died as a result of a qualifying condition or disease.		
<b>HB 2512</b>	Geren	SP: King
Relating to the release of certain areas from a municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction by petition or election.		
<b>HB 2694</b>	Vasut	SP: Middleton
Relating to the election and resignation of and filling of vacancies on the board of commissioners of the Brazoria Drainage District No. 4.		
<b>HB 3171</b>	Lujan   et al.	SP: Hughes
Relating to compensation and employment condition standards by municipal charter or collective bargaining agreement and to impasse resolution in collective bargaining with certain political subdivisions.		
<b>HB 3234</b>	Cortez	SP: Menéndez
Relating to the authority of a political subdivision to regulate construction and renovation of structures owned by certain counties.		
<b>HB 3680</b>	Gámez   et al.	SP: Hinojosa, Adam
Relating to subdivision plat requirements in certain counties; authorizing a fee; authorizing a civil penalty; creating a criminal offense.		

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**HB 3732** Martinez SP: Alvarado  
Relating to compliance by a fire department with certain minimum standards adopted by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection.

**HB 5431** Gates SP: Alvarado  
Relating to the exclusion of at-large and mayoral seats from the requirement of re-election following apportionment.

**HB 5664** Hefner SP: Hughes  
Relating to the operation of Wood County Central Hospital District of Wood County, Texas.

**HB 5693** Manuel SP: Nichols  
Relating to the election of the commissioners of the Jefferson County Drainage District No. 7.

**HB 5698** Bell, Cecil SP: Creighton  
Relating to the name of and appointment of directors for the Harris-Montgomery Counties Management District.

**HJR 133** Turner | et al. SP: Hughes  
Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a veteran who died as a result of a condition or disease that is presumed under federal law to have been service-connected.

The committee may also consider pending business.

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Bills added after last posting:

**HB 5671**

**HB 5688**

**HB 5695**

\*\* See Committee Coordinator for previous versions of the schedule \*\*

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