BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, a navigation district having within it a city with a population of over 250,000 has the authority to exchange land or interest in land with other landowners. H.B. 3620 would extend that authority to any navigation district.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 3620 sets forth requirements for the exchange and conveyance of lands by certain navigation districts.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 1, Article 8247f, V.T.C.S., to require the governing board of a navigation district to have the authority to exchange lands with any other public or private land owner, to make conveyance to another state or federal governmental entity, person, firm or corporation of lands owned and held by the navigation district, in accordance with any terms, conditions, or stipulations agreed on by the parties to the exchange or conveyance. Deletes text regarding a population of two hundred and fifty thousand.

SECTION 2. Provides that SECTION 1 of this Act certain limitations or conditions and Sections 61.116 or 61.117, Water Code.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.