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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 162.206, Tax Code, is amended by adding Subsections (l) and (m) to read as follows:

(l) On receipt of notice transmitted by an electronic means of a final judgment entered by a court against a purchaser of dyed diesel fuel for failure to pay an amount owed to a licensed supplier or distributor for the purchase of dyed diesel fuel, the comptroller shall revoke the end user number issued to the purchaser. The comptroller shall provide the notice described by Subsection (e)(2) to the licensed supplier or distributor if the purchaser’s end user number is revoked.

(m) The comptroller may reinstate an end user number that is revoked under Subsection (l) on receipt of proof transmitted by an electronic means and satisfactory to the comptroller that the purchaser whose end user number was revoked has satisfied the judgment described by Subsection (l), including all costs and other amounts awarded in the judgment.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies to the revocation of an end user number of a purchaser of dyed diesel fuel against whom a judgment described by Subsection (l), Section 162.206, Tax Code, as added by this Act, is entered, regardless of whether the judgment was entered before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed the Senate on March 21, 2013: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House on May 17, 2013: Yeas 134, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 436

S.B. No. 604

AN ACT relating to the powers and duties of the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 458; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Chapter 8418 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 8418. HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 458

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 8418.001. DEFINITION. In this chapter, “district” means the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 458.

Sec. 8418.002. NATURE AND PURPOSES OF DISTRICT. (a) The district is a municipal utility district created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

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

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

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

SUBCHAPTER B. POWERS AND DUTIES

Sec. 8418.051. GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES. The district has the powers and duties necessary to accomplish the purposes for which the district is created.
Sec. 8418.052. MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT POWERS AND DUTIES. The district has the powers and duties provided by the general law of this state, including Chapters 49 and 54, Water Code, applicable to municipal utility districts created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

Sec. 8418.053. AUTHORITY FOR ROAD PROJECTS. Under Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, the district may design, acquire, construct, finance, issue bonds for, improve, operate, maintain, and convey to this state, a county, or a municipality for operation and maintenance macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

Sec. 8418.054. ROAD STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS. (a) A road project must meet all applicable construction standards, zoning and subdivision requirements, and regulations of each municipality in whose corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction the road project is located.

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

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

SUBCHAPTER C. BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS

Sec. 8418.101. AUTHORITY TO ISSUE BONDS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS FOR ROAD PROJECTS. (a) The district may issue bonds or other obligations payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, impact fees, revenue, contract payments, grants, or other district money, or any combination of those sources, to pay for a road project authorized by Section 8418.053.

(b) The district may not issue bonds payable from ad valorem taxes to finance a road project unless the issuance is approved by a vote of a two-thirds majority of the district voters voting at an election held for that purpose.

(c) At the time of issuance, the total principal amount of bonds or other obligations issued or incurred to finance road projects and payable from ad valorem taxes may not exceed one-fourth of the assessed value of the real property in the district.

Sec. 8418.102. TAXES FOR BONDS. At the time the district issues bonds payable wholly or partly from ad valorem taxes, the board of the district shall provide for the annual imposition of a continuing direct ad valorem tax, without limit as to rate or amount, while all or part of the bonds are outstanding as required and in the manner provided by Sections 54.601 and 54.602, Water Code.

SECTION 2. Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 458 retains all rights, powers, privileges, authorities, duties, and functions that it had before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. (a) The legislature validates and confirms all governmental acts and proceedings of the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 458 that were taken before the effective date of this Act.

(b) This section does not apply to any matter that on the effective date of this Act:

(1) is involved in litigation if the litigation ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final court judgment; or

(2) has been held invalid by a final court judgment.

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

(b) The governor, one of the required recipients, has submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.
(c) The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.

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

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

Passed the Senate on March 27, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House on May 17, 2013: Yeas 134, Nays 0, two present not voting.

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Effective June 14, 2013.

CHAPTER 437

S.B. No. 607

AN ACT

relating to the creation of the Waller County Municipal Utility District No. 18; providing authority to impose a tax and issue bonds; granting a limited power of eminent domain.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, is amended by adding Chapter 8448 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 8448. WALLER COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 18

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 8448.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) “Board” means the district’s board of directors.

(2) “Commission” means the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

(3) “Director” means a board member.

(4) “District” means the Waller County Municipal Utility District No. 18.

Sec. 8448.002. NATURE OF DISTRICT. The district is a municipal utility district created under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution.

Sec. 8448.003. CONFIRMATION AND DIRECTORS’ ELECTION REQUIRED. The temporary directors shall hold an election to confirm the creation of the district and to elect five permanent directors as provided by Section 49.102, Water Code.

Sec. 8448.004. CONSENT OF MUNICIPALITY REQUIRED. The temporary directors may not hold an election under Section 8448.003 until each municipality in whose corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction the district is located has consented by ordinance or resolution to the creation of the district and to the inclusion of land in the district.

Sec. 8448.005. FINDINGS OF PUBLIC PURPOSE AND BENEFIT. (a) The district is created to serve a public purpose and benefit.

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

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