district money, or any combination of those sources, to pay for a road project authorized by Section 8439.053.

(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. 8439.102. 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. 457 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. 457 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 20, 2013: Yeas 147, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Approved June 14, 2013.

Effective June 14, 2013.

CHAPTER 550

S.B. No. 615

AN ACT relating to the contracting authority of the Texas Historical Commission.

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

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SECTION 1. Subsection (o), Section 442.005, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(o) The commission may enter into contracts with other state agencies or institutions, [and with] qualified private institutions, and other persons, including for-profit corporations, to carry out the purposes of this chapter. A contract with a for-profit corporation under this chapter may not permit any property preserved, maintained, or administered by the commission under this chapter to display any corporate name, logo, or product other than a discreet plaque or similar acknowledgment that does not detract from the property’s historic purpose.

SECTION 2. Subsection (b), Section 442.0056, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The commission shall restore and maintain each historic site acquired under this section for the benefit of the general public. The commission may enter into interagency contracts and contracts with other persons, including for-profit corporations, for this purpose.

SECTION 3. Subsection (c), Section 442.007, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The commission may enter into contracts or cooperative agreements with the federal government, other state agencies, state or private museums or educational institutions, or qualified persons, including for-profit corporations, for prehistoric or historic archeological investigations, surveys, excavations, or restorations in this state.

SECTION 4. Subsection (c), Section 442.072, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The commission may enter into an agreement with a nonprofit or for-profit corporation, foundation, association, or other nonprofit or for-profit entity for the expansion, renovation, management, operation, or financial support of a historic site.

SECTION 5. Subsection (d), Section 442.075, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) On or after the transfer of jurisdiction over a historic site, the commission may enter into an agreement with a nonprofit or for-profit corporation, including the Admiral Nimitz Foundation, for the expansion, renovation, management, operation, or financial support of the site.

SECTION 6. Subsection (b), Section 442.101, Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The commission may contract with any appropriate entity, including a for-profit corporation, for services necessary to carry out its responsibilities regarding historic sites described by Subchapter C.

SECTION 7. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to a contract entered into by the Texas Historical Commission on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 8. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.
Passed the Senate on March 27, 2013: Yeas 30, Nays 0; passed the House on May 22, 2013: Yeas 145, Nays 0, two present not voting.
Approved June 14, 2013.
Effective September 1, 2013.

CHAPTER 551
S.B. No. 624
AN ACT
relating to the creation of the Montgomery County Municipal Utility District No. 137; granting a limited power of eminent domain; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.