

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 3481
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Committee Report (Amended)

DIGEST

In 1995, the Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 (district) sought and obtained special legislation to modify the make-up and election process of its governing board of directors. Some of the terms for the board of directors were staggered. A map was prepared which listed the areas covered by each precincts for the election of the board. An error was made in the special legislation as to which precinct were assigned to certain numbers. H.B. 3481 would provide a technical correction to the number of precincts and validate all governmental acts and proceedings of the district not excepted by this Act.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 3481 amends regulations regarding the board of directors and the validation of certain acts of the Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

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 Sections 2(c) and (e), Chapter 544, Acts of the 74th Legislature, Regular Session, 1995, to require one director to be elected from each of single-member precincts numbers two, three, and four, rather than one, three, and five. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Provides that all governmental acts and proceedings of the Bexar-Media-Atascosa Counties Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 that are not excepted by this Act are validated as the dates on which they occurred. This validation includes the validation of a governmental act or proceeding relating to the election of the board members for the district. Provides that this Act does not validate any governmental acts or proceedings that were void or which under the statutes of this state at the time of the actions or proceedings occurred, were a misdemeanor or felony. Provides that this Act does not apply to any matter that is involved in litigation if the litigation ultimately results in the matter being held invalid by a final judgment of a court or has been held invalid by a valid judgment of the court. Provides that the provisions of Section 49.056(c), Water Code, do not apply to the district.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.