

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

The 75th Legislature enacted legislation which set forth procedures for general law district contract elections. Such a district is required to obtain approval from the executive director of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) before entering into an obligation to collect tax for debt that exceeds three years, unless the district has a contract with another district. H.B. 2994 provides that such a district may also be exempt from obtaining approval from the executive director of TNRCC if the district has a contract with a municipality.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 49.108(e), Water Code, to provide that this subsection does not apply to contract taxes that are levied to pay for a district's share of bonds that have been issued by another district and approved by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (commission) or to bonds issued by a municipality.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.