

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, Section 431.003 of the Transportation Code restricts navigation districts to conduct business strictly within the boundaries of the enacting legislation, while cities and counties have a broader authority. S.B. 637 amends the Transportation Code to allow navigation districts and public port authorities to form local government corporations to “sell their expertise” in the development and operations of other ports.

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 431.003(3), Transportation Code, to redefine “local government” to include a navigation district, for purposes of Subchapter D.

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