

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, no municipal utility district is located in the territory of the proposed Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 190 (district) that is to be located within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Houston, located in Fort Bend County. This land is currently undeveloped. Current law provides for the creation of conservation and reclamation districts and authorizes such districts to incur indebtedness to provide permanent improvements and, with voter approval, to levy taxes for the operation and maintenance of such improvements and for the repayment of such indebtedness.

As proposed, S.B. 1992 creates the Fort Bend County Municipal District No. 190 (district) and grants the district all the powers granted to municipal utility districts operating pursuant to Chapters 49 (Provisions Applicable to All Districts) and 54 (Municipal Utility Districts), Water Code, with road powers granted pursuant to Section 52 (Counties, Cities, or Other Political Corporations or Subdivisions; Lending Credit; Grants; Bonds), Article 3, Texas Constitution.

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 Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 8233, as follows:

CHAPTER 8233. FORT BEND COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 190

Sets forth the standard language for the creation of the Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 190 (district). Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Creation and approval of the district (Sections 8233.001 - 8233.050);

Size, composition, election, and terms of the board of directors of the district (Sections 8233.051 - 8233.100).

Powers and duties of the district (Sections 8233.101 - 8233.150).

General financial provisions and authority to impose taxes and to issue bonds and obligations for the district (Sections 8233.151 - 8233.203).

Authorizes the district to exercise the power of eminent domain.

SECTION 2. Sets forth the initial boundaries of the district.

SECTION 3. Provides that 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 4. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.