

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, the land located within the boundaries of the proposed Parklands Municipal Utility District No. 1 (district) is undeveloped.

As proposed, S.B. 2478 provides for the creation of the district. The territory of the district will lie within an unincorporated area in Hays County. The district will have all of the powers granted to municipal utility districts operating pursuant to Chapters 49 (Provisions Applicable to All Districts) and 54 (Municipal Water Districts), Water Code, with road powers pursuant to Section 52 (Counties, Cities, or Other Political Corporations or Subdivisions; Lending Credit; Grants; Bonds), Article III (Legislative Department), 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 8368, as follows:

CHAPTER 8368. PARKLANDS MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1

Sets forth standard language for the creation of the Parklands Municipal Utility District No. 1 (district) in Hays County. Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Creation and approval of the district (Sections 8368.001-8368.050);

Size, composition, election, and terms of the board of directors of the district (Sections 8368.051-8368.100);

Powers and duties of the district (Sections 8368.101-8368.150); and

General financial provisions and authority to impose a tax and to issue bonds and obligations for the district (Sections 8368.151-8368.201).

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, 2009.