### **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center

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### **DIGEST**

The Falcon's Lair Utility and Reclamation District of Dallas County, Texas was created in 1985 by the 69th Texas Legislature. The district is located within the City of Mesquite, Texas. This bill will set forth regulations regarding the powers, duties, administration, financing, and operation of the Falcon's Lair Utility and Reclamation District; and grant the authority to issue bonds.

# **PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 1949 sets forth regulations regarding the powers, duties, administration, financing, and operation of the Falcon's Lair Utility and Reclamation District; and grants the authority to issue bonds.

## **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 Section 9, Chapter 935, Acts of the 69th Legislature, Regular Session, 1985, by amending Subsection (f) and adding Subsection (h), to require a regular directors' election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of each odd-numbered year, rather than the first Saturday in April in each even-numbered year. Prohibits the city of Mesquite, Texas (city) from being found liable for an act relating to a district obligation or the operation of the district because of an appointment of a director made by the city as prescribed by Subsection (d) of this section.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 19, Chapter 935, Acts of the 69th Legislature, Regular Session, 1985, by adding Subsections (d) and (e), to authorize the board of directors of the Falcons's Lair Utility and Reclamation District, for the payment of all or part of the costs of an improvement project or services under Section 20A of this Act, to issue bonds in one or more series payable from and secured by ad valorem taxes, assessments, impact fees, revenues, grants, gifts, contracts, or leases or any combination of those funds. Authorizes bonds to be liens on all or part of the revenue derived from improvements authorized under Section 20A of this Act, including installment payments of special assessments or from any other source pledged to their payment. Provides that Sections 375.202-375.206, Local Government Code, apply to bonds issued under Subsection (d) of this section.

SECTION 3. Amends Chapter 935, Acts of the 69th Legislature, Regular Session, 1985, by adding Section 19A, as follows:

Sec. 19A. OBLIGATIONS. Sets forth regulations regarding obligations of the district. Defines "obligation."

SECTION 4. Amends Chapter 935, Acts of the 69th Legislature, Regular Session, 1985 by adding Section 20A, as follows:

Sec. 20A. ASSESSMENTS. Sets forth regulations regarding improvement projects and services of the district and assessments levied and collected by the board.

SECTION 5. Amends Section 23(b), Chapter 935, Acts of the 69th Legislature, Regular Session, 1985, to authorize the city to provide water supply and sewer services to residential retail customers in the district. Provides that the district is responsible for an off-site extension that is required to provide water supply and sewer service. Makes a nonsubstantive change.

SECTION 6. Sets forth regulations regarding the term of the members of the board.

SECTION 7. Provides that all requirements regarding the proper and legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act have been met.

SECTION 8. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.