

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The Victoria County Navigation District was established in February, 1947, under Article 16, Section 59, of the Constitution of the State of Texas. Since it was first established the board of navigation and canal commissioners of the Victoria County Navigation District has been composed of three board members appointed by the Commissioners Court of Victoria County.

The district has expanded to become an almost multi-million dollar government entity. It has become an economic engine for the development of business and creation of new jobs in the region. It is important to broaden membership to further incorporate the community and to retain enough members with experience in the operations of the district.

H.B. 2368 increases the number of board members from three to five.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subtitle A, Title 5, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 5005, as follows:

CHAPTER 5005.001. DEFINITIONS. Defines "board" and "district."

[Reserves Sections 5005.002-5005.050 for expansion.]

SUBCHAPTER B. BOARD

Sec. 5005.051. COMPOSITION OF BOARD. Provides that the Victoria County Navigation District (district) is governed by a board of five navigation and canal commissioners appointed by the Commissioners Court of Victoria County.

SECTION 2. (a) Provides that a navigation and canal commissioner of the district serving on the effective date of this Act continues to serve until the expiration of the term for which the commissioner was appointed.

(b) Requires the Commissioners Court of Victoria County to make appointments to the board of navigation and canal commissioners of the district to achieve, as soon as practicable, the composition prescribed by Section 5005.051, Special District Local Laws Code, as added by this Act.

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