

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, the land located within the boundaries of the proposed Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 495 (district) is undeveloped.

S.B. 2455 amends current law relating to the creation of the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 495, provides authority to impose a tax and issue bonds, and grants a limited power of eminent domain.

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 8350, as follows:

CHAPTER 8350. HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 495

Sets forth standard language for the creation of the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 495 (district) in Harris County. Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Creation and approval of the district (Sections 8350.001-8350.050);

Size, composition, election, and terms of the board of directors of the district (Sections 8350.051-8350.100);

Powers and duties of the district (Sections 8350.101-8350.150); and

General financial provisions and authority to impose a tax and issue bonds and obligations for the district (Sections 8350.151-8350.203).

Prohibits the exercise of the power of eminent domain outside the district by the district to acquire a site or easement for a road project under Section 8350.103 or a recreational facility as defined by Section 49.462 (Definitions), Water Code.

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.