

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 4666  
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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

H.B. 4666 amends current law relating to the modernization of the law governing the Port of Beaumont Navigation District of Jefferson County, Texas.

### **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 A, Title 5, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 5010, as follows:

#### CHAPTER 5010. PORT OF BEAUMONT NAVIGATION DISTRICT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS

Sets forth standard language relating to the Port of Beaumont Navigation District (district) in Jefferson County. Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

General provisions, including the nature of the district (Sections 5010.001–5010.0105);

Size, composition, election, compensation, and terms for the board of port commissioner of the district (Sections 5010.0201–5010.0212);

Powers and duties of the district (Sections 5010.301–5010.0310);

General financial provisions, including the authority to impose an ad valorem tax once approved by voters at an election and the authority to impose certain other taxes (Sections 5010.0401–5010.0409); and

Authority to issue bonds and other obligations for the district (Sections 5010.0501–5010.0505); and

Authorizes the district to exercise the power of eminent domain under certain conditions and in a certain manner.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 1, Chapter 147, Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949, as follows:

Section 1. Deletes existing text establishing a port district to be known as the Port of Beaumont Navigation District of Jefferson County, Texas, situated in Jefferson County, Texas. Sets forth the initial boundaries of the district.

SECTION 3. Repealer: Sections 1B, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30, Chapter 147, Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949.

SECTION 4. Provides that all requirements of the constitution and the 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 5. Effective date: September 1, 2019.