

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 4155
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Special Purpose Districts
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties have expressed the need for a municipal management district over certain property in Williamson County. H.B. 4155 seeks to address this issue by creating the Vineyard Municipal Management District No. 1 to provide certain improvement projects and services that confer a special benefit on property in the district and to pay for such projects and services by levying certain taxes and imposing special assessments.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 4155 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to create the Vineyard Municipal Management District No. 1 to provide certain improvements, projects, and services for public use and benefit. The bill provides for, among other provisions, water district powers, road district powers, public improvement district powers, county development district powers, improvement projects and services in definable areas, adding or removing territory, division of the district into multiple districts, and dissolution of the district. The district's powers and duties include, subject to certain requirements, the authorization to issue obligations and impose assessments, impact fees, public service user charges, and sales and use, hotel occupancy, operation and maintenance, property, and contract taxes. The district is prohibited from constructing, acquiring, maintaining, or operating a toll road and from exercising the power of eminent domain.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2015.