BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 4730 By: Moody Urban Affairs Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that an area located within the City of El Paso would benefit from the creation of a management district. C.S.H.B. 4730 seeks to provide for the creation of such a district.

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

C.S.H.B. 4730 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to create the City of El Paso Municipal Management District No. 1 to provide certain improvements, projects, and services for public use and benefit. The bill provides for, among other provisions, the division of the district into multiple districts, the enforceability of a municipal consent agreement, and certain special bond provisions. The bill sets out the district's powers and duties, which include, subject to certain requirements, the authority to add or remove territory and the authority to issue obligations and impose property and operation and maintenance taxes. The bill prohibits the district from exercising the power of eminent domain.

EFFECTIVE DATE

January 1, 2020.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 4730 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

The substitute revises provisions relating to the petition for appointment of the initial district board of directors. The substitute does not include a provision relating to the compensation and reimbursement for expenses of a board director.

The substitute revises provisions relating to the issuance of bonds payable from property taxes or assessments. The substitute includes special bond provisions relating to bonds payable wholly or partly from assessments regarding the conflict of laws, written agreements regarding special appraisals, requirements for advertising the issue of applicable bonds and requirements for the issuance, and requirements for the collection of revenue to pay the bonds.

The substitute includes provisions relating to the enforceability of municipal consent.

The substitute revises the territory of the district and changes the bill's effective date provision.