

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 4731  
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County Affairs  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Harris County Improvement District No. 17 was created in 2009, in the 81st Regular Session, to facilitate the development of acreage outside of the City of Tomball into commercial developments. H.B. 4731 seeks to update legislation regarding the 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**

H.B. 4731 amends the powers of Harris County Improvement District No. 17 to (1) reflect the district's name change in Chapter 3891, Texas Special District Local Laws Code; (2) remove certain authority under Chapter 54, Texas Water Code, to select the desired applicable extraterritorial jurisdiction where the district exists in more than one municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction; (3) permit the district to exercise the powers of a public improvement district under Chapter 372, Texas Local Government Code, including the authority to issue obligations, impose fees and assessments; and (4) provide an exemption to a certain limitation under Chapter 49, Texas Water Code, on the outstanding principal amount of bonds, notes, and other obligations issued for recreational facilities.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2019.