BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 1303 By: Gray (Jackson) Natural Resources 4/15/1999 Committee Report (Amended)

DIGEST

The San Leon Municipal Utility District of Galveston County (district) passed a resolution asking that this bill be filed. H.B. 1303 authorizes the district, subject to voter approval, to install, operate, and maintain street lighting, and allows the district to assess its costs as an additional charge in the monthly billing of customers.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 1303 authorizes the San Leon Municipal Utility District of Galveston County to install and assess for street lighting.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 520, Article 8280-308, V.T.C.S., by adding Section 2A, as follows:

Sec. 2A. Authorizes the San Leon Municipal Utility District (district) to take certain actions, if the actions are approved by a majority of the voters of the district voting at an election called and held for that purpose. Prohibits the district from using money from taxes or bonds supported by taxes for purposes described by this section. Provides that this section does not authorize the district to install, operate, or maintain street lighting on right-of-way that is part of the designated state highway system.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Amends Chapter 520, Article 8280-308, V.T.C.S., to provide that this section does not authorize the district to install, operate, or maintain street lighting on right-of-way that is part of the designated state highway system.