BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, the Jefferson County Navigation District does not include Port Arthur as part of the countywide district. S.B. 1788 sets forth provisions for the creation of the Jefferson County Waterway and Navigation District.

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. CREATION. Sets forth provisions regarding the creation of the Jefferson County Waterway and Navigation District (district).

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS. Defines "commissioners court" and "district."

SECTION 3. BOUNDARIES. Sets forth provisions regarding the boundaries of the district.

SECTION 4. FINDING OF BENEFIT. Sets forth provisions regarding the benefit of the district.

SECTION 5. GENERAL POWERS. Sets forth general powers of the district.

SECTION 6. ADDITIONAL POWERS. Sets forth provisions regarding additional powers of the district.

SECTION 7. RELATIONSHIP OF DISTRICT TO EXISTING DISTRICTS IN AREA. Sets forth provisions regarding the general powers of the district to contract with other navigation districts.

SECTION 8. NAVIGATION AND CANAL COMMISSION. Sets forth provisions regarding the composition of the district's governing commission.

SECTION 9. APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS. Sets forth provisions regarding the appointment of commissioners.

SECTION 10. CONFIRMATION ELECTION. Sets forth provisions regarding the holding of an election.

SECTION 11. MERGER. Sets forth provisions regarding the merger of the district.

SECTION 12. FINDINGS RELATED TO PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS. Sets forth provisions establishing that the procedural requirements necessary for the district have been met.

SECTION 13. EFFECTIVE DATE: upon passage or September 1, 2001.

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