

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

The land to be covered by the Morning Star Ranch Municipal Utility District Numbers 1 and 2 of Parker County is to be developed into single-family residential and commercial properties. Therefore, water, sewer, and drainage services need to be secured. It is necessary to create these districts under Chapter 49 (Provisions Applicable to All Districts) and Chapter 54 (Municipal Utility Districts), Water Code, in order to purchase, acquire, or construct facilities for such services to serve the future occupants of the land by utilizing tax exempt bonds.

As proposed, S.B. 2011 creates the Morning Star Ranch Municipal Utility District Numbers 1 and 2 of Parker County to encompass an area of land inside the city and extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Forth Worth. This bill also empowers these districts with the authority to impose a tax and issue bonds and grants these districts the power of eminent domain.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

#### ARTICLE 1. MORNING STAR RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1

SECTION 1.01. Amends Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 8229, as follows:

#### CHAPTER 8229. MORNING STAR RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF PARKER COUNTY

Sets forth the standard language for the creation of the Morning Star Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 1 of Parker County (district No. 1). Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Creation and approval of district No. 1 (Sections 8229.001 - 8229.020);

Size, composition, election, and terms of the board of directors of district No. 1 (Sections 8229.021 - 8229.100);

Powers and duties of district No. 1 (Sections 8229.101 - 8229.150); and

General financial provisions and authority to impose taxes and to issue bonds and obligations for district No. 1 (Sections 8229.151 - 8229.201).

Authorizes district No. 1 to exercise the power of eminent domain.

SECTION 1.02. Sets forth the initial boundaries of district No. 1.

#### ARTICLE 2. MORNING STAR RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 2

SECTION 2.01. Amends Subtitle F, Title 6, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 8230, as follows:

CHAPTER 8230. MORNING STAR RANCH MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 2  
OF PARKER COUNTY

Sets forth the standard language for the creation of the Morning Star Ranch Municipal Utility District No. 2 of Parker County (district No. 2). Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Creation and approval of district No. 2 (Sections 8230.001 - 8230.020);

Size, composition, election, and terms of the board of directors of district No. 2 (Sections 8230.021 - 8230.100);

Powers and duties of district No. 2 (Sections 8230.101 - 8230.150); and

General financial provisions and authority to impose taxes and to issue bonds and obligations for district No. 2 (Sections 8230.151 - 8230.201).

Authorizes district No. 2 to exercise the power of eminent domain.

SECTION 2.02. Sets forth the initial boundaries of district No. 2.

ARTICLE 3. NOTICE; EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 3.01. Provides that all requirements of the constitution and laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 3.02. Effective date: September 1, 2007.