BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 2332 proposes the creation of a municipal management district to be known as Brazoria County Management District No. 1 (district) which will primarily operate under Chapter 375, Local Government Code.

The proposed district contains approximately 745 acres located in the unincorporated area of Brazoria County near the City of Alvin. All of the property in the proposed district is owned by Southeast Properties, Ltd., which is seeking the creation of the district to prepare the property for development along the future extension of the Grand Parkway in Brazoria County. The district is being created to promote, develop, encourage, and maintain employment, commerce, economic development, and the public welfare, and to construct and finance a broad spectrum of high quality infrastructure to attract and support commercial development.

The proposed district is not located within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality; however, the nearby City of Alvin has delivered a letter signed by the mayor, dated February 14, 2017, indicating no objection to the creation of the district.

H.B. 2332 amends current law relating to the creation of the Brazoria County Management District No. 1, provides authority to issue bonds, and provides authority to impose assessments, fees, and taxes.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

Rulemaking authority is expressly granted to the Brazoria County Management District No. 1 in SECTION 1 (Section 3944.115, Special District Local Laws Code) of this bill.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subtitle C, Title 4, Special District Local Laws Code, by adding Chapter 3944, as follows:

CHAPTER 3944. BRAZORIA COUNTY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1

Sets forth standard language for the creation of the Brazoria County Management District No. 1 (district). Sets forth standards, procedures, requirements, and criteria for:

Creation, purpose, and approval of the district (Sections 3944.001-3944.050);

Size, composition, compensation, and terms of the board of directors of the district, including the naming of temporary directors (Sections 3944.051-3944.100);

Powers and duties of the district (Sections 3944.101-3944.150);

General financial provisions and authority to impose taxes and issue bonds and obligations for the district (Sections 3944.151-3944.300); and

Dissolution of the district by the board of directors (Section 3944.301).

Prohibits the district from exercising the power of eminent domain.

SECTION 2. Sets forth the initial boundaries of the district.

SECTION 3. Provides that all requirements of the constitution and the 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 4. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2017.