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H.B. No. 878

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to competitive bidding procedures and election requirements for the Westchase District.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Sections 3802.159(a) and (c), Special District Local Laws Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) In addition to the elections required under Subchapter L, Chapter 375, Local Government Code, the district must hold an election in the manner provided by that subchapter to obtain voter approval before the district may:

(1) impose a maintenance tax; or

(2) issue a bond payable from ad valorem taxes ~~or assessments~~.

(c) The board may not call a bond ~~an~~ election under this chapter unless a written petition requesting the ~~an~~ election has been filed with the board. The petition must be signed by:

(1) the owners of a majority of the assessed value of real property in the district according to the most recent certified tax appraisal roll for Harris County; or

(2) at least 50 persons who own property in the district, if there are more than 50 persons who own property in the district according to the most recent certified tax appraisal roll for Harris County.

SECTION 2. Section 3802.104, Special District Local Laws

1 Code, is repealed.

2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.