

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the powers and duties of the Reagan Hospital District.

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

4 SECTION 1. Chapter 29, Acts of the 65th Legislature,
5 Regular Session, 1977, is amended by adding Section 7A to read as
6 follows:

7 Sec. 7A. (a) The board may borrow money at a rate not to
8 exceed the maximum annual percentage rate allowed by law for
9 district obligations at the time the loan is made.

10 (b) To secure a loan, the board may pledge:

11 (1) district revenue that is not pledged to pay the
12 district's bonded indebtedness;

13 (2) a district tax to be imposed by the district during
14 the 12-month period following the date of the pledge that is not
15 pledged to pay the principal of or interest on district bonds; or

16 (3) a district bond that has been authorized but not
17 sold.

18 (c) A loan for which taxes or bonds are pledged must mature
19 not later than the first anniversary of the date the loan is made. A
20 loan for which district revenue is pledged must mature not later
21 than the fifth anniversary of the date the loan is made.

22 SECTION 2. Chapter 29, Acts of the 65th Legislature,
23 Regular Session, 1977, is amended by adding Sections 9A and 9B to
24 read as follows:

1 Sec. 9A. In addition to the authority to issue general
2 obligation bonds and revenue bonds under this Act, the board may
3 provide for the security and payment of district bonds from a pledge
4 of a combination of ad valorem taxes as authorized by Section 8 of
5 this Act and revenue and other sources as authorized by Section 9 of
6 this Act.

7 Sec. 9B. The district may use the proceeds of bonds issued
8 under this Act to pay:

9 (1) any expense the board determines is reasonable and
10 necessary to issue, sell, and deliver the bonds;

11 (2) interest payments on the bonds during a period of
12 acquisition or construction of a project or facility to be provided
13 through the bonds, not to exceed five years;

14 (3) costs related to the operation and maintenance of
15 a project or facility to be provided through the bonds:

16 (A) during an estimated period of acquisition or
17 construction, not to exceed five years; and

18 (B) for one year after the project or facility is
19 acquired or constructed;

20 (4) costs related to the financing of the bond funds,
21 including debt service reserve and contingency funds;

22 (5) costs related to the bond issuance;

23 (6) costs related to the acquisition of land or
24 interests in land for a project or facility to be provided through
25 the bonds; and

26 (7) costs of construction of a project or facility to
27 be provided through the bonds, including the payment of related

1 professional services and expenses.

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, 2009.

David Dewhurst

President of the Senate

Jon Strom

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2994 was passed by the House on May 7, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 1, 1 present, not voting.

Robert Haney

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2994 was passed by the Senate on May 26, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Date

Rick Perry

Governor

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