

CHAPTER 1023

H.B. No. 2549

AN ACT

relating to the dissolution of the Poteet Community Hospital District of Atascosa County, Texas.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Chapter 609, Acts of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965, is amended by adding Section 17A to read as follows:

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*Sec. 17A. (a) The District may be dissolved as provided by this section.*

*(b) The Board of Directors may order an election on the question of dissolving the District and transferring the District's assets and obligations to Atascosa County. The Board shall order an election if the Board receives a petition requesting an election that is signed by at least 50 qualified voters in the District.*

*(c) The election shall be held not more than 60 days after the date on which the election is ordered. Section 41.001(a), Election Code, does not apply to an election ordered under this section.*

*(d) The ballot for the election shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The dissolution of the Poteet Community Hospital District of Atascosa County, Texas, and the transfer of the existing District assets to and the assumption of debts and bond obligations by Atascosa County." The election shall be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Election Code.*

*(e) If a majority of the votes in the election favor dissolution and transfer of the District's assets and obligations, the Board shall find that the District is dissolved and shall transfer the District's assets and obligations to Atascosa County as prescribed by Subsection (f) of this section. If a majority of the votes in the election do not favor dissolution and transfer of the District's assets and obligations, the Board shall continue to administer the District and may not order another election on the question of dissolution to be held earlier than the first anniversary of the date of the most recent election to dissolve the District and to transfer the District's assets and obligations.*

*(f) If a majority of the votes in the election favor dissolution and transfer of the District's assets and obligations, the Board shall transfer to Atascosa County the land, buildings, improvements, equipment, and other assets that belong to the District. At the time of the transfer Atascosa County assumes all debts and obligations of the District.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 15, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 25, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.