CHAPTER 693

S.B. No. 1332

AN ACT relating to the liability of communication districts.

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

SECTION 1. Subdivision (2), Section 101.001, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is amended to read as follows:

- (2) "Governmental unit" means:
- (A) this state and all the several agencies of government that collectively constitute the government of this state, including other agencies bearing different designa-2554

tions, and all departments, bureaus, boards, commissions, offices, agencies, councils, and courts;

- (B) a political subdivision of this state, including any city, county, school district, junior college district, levee improvement district, drainage district, irrigation district, water improvement district, water control and improvement district, water control and preservation district, freshwater supply district, navigation district, conservation and reclamation district, soil conservation district, communication district, and river authority; and
- (C) any other institution, agency, or organ of government the status and authority of which are derived from the Constitution of Texas or from laws passed by the legislature under the constitution.
- SECTION 2. This Act applies only to a cause of action that accrues on or after the effective date of this Act. An action that accrued before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect at the time the action accrued, and that law is continued in effect for this purpose.
- 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, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate on April 30, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0. Passed the House on May 29, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Approved June 19, 1987.

Effective June 19, 1987.