



March 16, 2026

The Honorable James Comer  
Chairman  
Committee on Oversight and  
Government Reform  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2157 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Robert Garcia  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Oversight and  
Government Reform  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2471 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: Special District Fairness and Accessibility Act (H.R. 2766)

Dear Chairman Comer and Ranking Member Garcia:

On behalf of the North Texas Municipal Water District, I am writing regarding the upcoming markup of the bipartisan Special District Fairness and Accessibility Act (H.R. 2766) in the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform scheduled for March 18. We respectfully urge your support for this important legislation, which is critical to the residents of the communities served by special districts across the country.

H.R. 2766 would establish the first-ever formal definition of "special district" in federal law. In addition, the legislation directs the White House Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance to federal agencies requiring special districts to be recognized as units of local government for purposes of federal financial assistance determinations.

Special districts are the workhorses of American local government, created to meet specific community needs that traditional municipal or county governments may not address. Their focused governance allows for expert management, long-term planning, and dedicated funding to ensure the uninterrupted provision of critical services.

In Texas and across the United States, thousands of special districts provide a broad range of essential public services, including drinking water and wastewater services, fire protection and emergency response, healthcare, transit, natural resource conservation, mosquito abatement, and many other vital services that communities depend on every day.

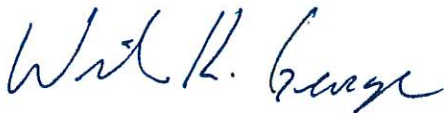
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Despite the prevalence of special districts across the United States, federal law lacks a consistent definition of special purpose units of local government. As a result, some special districts face challenges accessing federal funding opportunities and are frequently omitted from the definition of eligible local governments in legislation authorizing federal programs.

Sponsored by Representatives Pat Fallon (R-TX) and Brittany Pettersen (D-CO), H.R. 2766 represents a long-overdue bipartisan effort designed to ensure that special districts have the same access to federal resources as other units of local government.

We respectfully urge you to support this legislation and advance H.R. 2766 during the committee's upcoming markup. Thank you for your consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact us if we can provide additional information.

Sincerely,



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CC: Senator John Cornyn  
Congressman Pat Fallon  
Congressman Brandon Gill