

## HCS SCS SB 939 -- LEVEE AND DRAINAGE DISTRICTS

This bill increases the amount the board of supervisors of any levee district can levy in the form of a uniform tax from up to \$1 per acre of land and each mile of right-of-way of all public service corporations to up to \$8 per acre of land and each mile of right-of-way. The amount the board of supervisors of any drainage district can levy in the form of a uniform tax is increased from up to \$1 per acre of land to up to \$8 per acre of land.

Currently, only owners of 25% or more of the property in certain drainage districts can petition a court for a readjustment of the assessment of benefits for the property in the district. The bill allows the district's board of supervisors to petition for a readjustment for some or all of the property in the district as identified in the petition.

The bill also clarifies that property owners or the board of supervisors in levee districts can petition a court for a readjustment of the assessment of benefits for only a particular part of the property in the district as identified in the petition.

Drainage districts in St. Louis County are authorized to adopt an alternative procedure regarding the voting rights of the landowners of the district. All drainage districts are authorized to adopt an alternative procedure for the apportionment of installment taxes after a readjustment of the assessment of benefits.