

HB 1612 -- REGIONAL JAIL DISTRICTS

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This bill requires that a county wanting to join an existing jail district that levies a sales tax, first must obtain voter approval for the levy of the sales tax in the joining county.

The bill also adds equipping and maintaining jail facilities and leasing jail properties to the powers authorized to a jail district.

Commissioners must serve until their successors in their county offices have assumed office.

The bill also repeals the 12-month required interval between votes for voting on the jail district levy and joining the jail district.

Expenditures from the tax levy of the regional jail district are expanded to include any of the district's authorized purposes.

The expiration date of September 30, 2028, for regional jail districts is repealed.

Regional jail districts are authorized to contract with governmental entities including departments and their instrumentalities and private entities.

This bill contains an emergency clause.