BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law authorizes a municipality to enforce an order issued by an administrative adjudication hearing officer finding that a person has violated a parking and stopping offense by impounding the vehicle, placing a boot on the vehicle, imposing additional fees, or denying parking permits. However, only municipalities with populations of 125,000 and operating under a council-manager form of government or with populations of 500,000 or more are empowered to do this. This bill would authorize municipalities with populations of 30,000 or more to enforce orders related to parking and stopping offenses.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 516 authorizes municipalities with populations of 30,000 or more to enforce orders related to parking and stopping offenses.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 682.001, Transportation Code, to provide that this chapter only applies to a municipality that has a population greater than 30,000, rather than 125,000 and operates under a councilmanager form of government or has a population of 500,000 or more.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause. Effective date: upon passage.