

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

In rapidly developing counties with an emergency services district (ESD), annexation by local cities is an issue affecting ESDs. In particular, if a current board member resides in an area that is annexed into a city, that board member is ineligible to continue to serve on the ESD board of commissioners. It can be difficult to replace members in the middle of their term, and in the case of a county with relatively little unincorporated area population, the pool of available candidates is even more limited.

H.B. 1108 allows board members to serve out their natural terms of office, giving the appointing commissioners court enough time to find a replacement.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 775.034, Health and Safety Code, by adding Subsection (f) to authorize a member of the board of emergency service commissioners who, because of municipal annexation, is no longer a qualified voter of an area served by the district or no longer owns land subject to taxation by the district to continue to serve until the expiration of the member's term.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.