

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Under current law, a person who performs labor on or furnishes labor or materials for the demolition of property is not protected from non-payment. H.B. 208 amends Section 53.021 of the Property Code by allowing a person to obtain a mechanic's lien on real property.

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 53.021, Property Code, by adding Subsection (e) to provide that a person who performs labor as part of, or who furnishes labor or materials for, the demolition of a structure on real property under or by virtue of a written contract with the owner of the property or the owner's agent, trustee, receiver, contractor, or subcontractor has a lien on the property.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 53.124(e), Property Code, to make a conforming change.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2003.
Makes application of this Act prospective.