

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently a nonprofit corporation, partnership, or sole proprietorship that manages a hospital or provides services as a part of a rural health network in a contract with a hospital district with a population under 50,000, qualifies as a "hospital district management contractor" under Sections 285.071 and 285.072 of the Health and Safety Code. This allows contractors and their employees to be covered under the same liability as the hospital district in Section 101.023(b) of the Civil Practices Code. The code states that employers and their workers are covered for up to \$100,000 per each person and \$300,000 per occurrence and \$100,000 for property damage.

H.B. 2453 redefines "hospital district management contractor" to provide the same provisions for entities managing or serving hospital districts with a population under 75,000 as are currently available to those in districts of less than 50,000.

### **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 285.071, Health and Safety Code, as follows:

Sec. 285.071. DEFINITION. Redefines "hospital district management contractor."

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.