

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

The Local Government Code establishes four payments for which a county employee may authorize payroll deductions: payments to a credit union; payments for membership in a labor union or employees' association; payments for parking fees; or payments to a charitable organization. Deductions for items such as a bus or mass transit pass or a fee for personal calls on a county cell phone are not available because they are not listed in the statute.

H.B. 2678 amends the Local Government Code to allow a commissioners court to authorize a deduction requested by a county employee if the commissioners court determines that the payment serves a public purpose.

### **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 155.001(a), Local Government Code, to add a new Subdivision (5) authorizing the commissioners court, on the request of a county employee, to authorize a payroll deduction to be made from the employee's wages or salary for payment relating to an item not listed in this subsection if the commissioners court determines that the payment serves a public purpose.

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