

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, Texas law requires cities participating in a 911 Emergency Communication District to appoint members to the Communication District Board. Disagreement exists over whether the term “appointed jointly” requires a unanimous decision on the part of the participating cities. However, the 118th District Court ruled that “jointly appoint” means that a majority vote would be needed to approve the member. As proposed, S.B. 892 requires an appointment to a board of managers that is made jointly by more than one municipality or other entity to be made by majority vote of the municipalities or other entities entitled to make the appointment.

### **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 Chapter 772A, Health and Safety Code, by adding Section 772.002, as follows:

Sec. 772.002. JOINT APPOINTMENTS TO BOARD OF MANAGERS. Requires an appointment to a board of managers under this chapter that is made jointly by more than one municipality or other entity to be made by majority vote of the municipalities or other entities entitled to make the appointment.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.