

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Current law provides that the governing body of a municipality may submit a proposed charter amendment to the municipality's qualified voters for their approval at an election. A proposed amendment must be submitted to a vote if it is supported by a petition containing 20,000 signatures or if it is signed by at least five percent of the municipality's qualified voters, whichever is less.

The law further requires that the voters receive notice in connection with such an election, which must include a copy of the proposed amendment. However, there is no requirement that the voters be informed of the cost of the proposed amendment to the municipality.

As proposed, S.B. 1086 adds a requirement that the notice of election include an estimate of the anticipated fiscal impact to the municipality of the proposed amendment.

### **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 9.004(c), Local Government Code, to require the notice of an election to include certain information, including an estimate of the anticipated fiscal impact to the municipality if the proposed amendment is approved at the election.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2007.