

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, a city may require substandard property to be repaired or demolished. It may be difficult for a city to foreclose on substandard properties that have liens. This bill authorizes a city to foreclose on a substandard building lien in judicial and Tax Code proceedings.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2141 authorizes a city to foreclose on a substandard building lien in judicial and Tax Code proceedings.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 214.004, Local Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 214.004. SEIZURE AND SALE OF PROPERTY TO RECOVER EXPENSES. Authorizes a Type A general-law or home-rule municipality to foreclose a lien on property under this subchapter in a judicial proceeding if a building or other structure on the property has been demolished; a lien for the cost of the demolition of the building or other structure on the property has been created and that cost has not been paid more than 180 days after the date the lien was filed; and ad valorem taxes are delinquent on all or part of the property.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.