

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, in a municipality with a population of 1.5 million or more a private vendor or county is prohibited from establishing a jail, detention center, work camp or related facility within one-half mile of a public school, institution of higher education, or place of worship. This statute applies to cities which join a county to build such facilities but does not apply to cities or counties acting alone. H.B. 681 allows a city to join with a county to establish a jail, detention center, work camp or related facility within one-half mile of a public school, institution of high education, or place of worship in a municipality with a population of 1.5 million or more.

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 361.067, Local Government Code, to delete existing text which prohibits a county from establishing a jail, detention center, work camp, or related facility in a municipality of 1.5 million people or more if that facility is to be located in close proximity to certain institutions.

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