

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2924
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, municipalities and counties are authorized (after several procedural requirements are satisfied) to establish Public Improvement Districts (PID). The law authorizes the creation and dissolution of a PID, but does not expressly authorize amending the boundaries. While the requirements are designed to keep the public informed and involved in the process, they are sometimes excessive, especially when the proposed changes are non-controversial or unchallenged.

H.B. 2924 allows the expansion of PIDs and creates a more streamlined method for proposed expansions.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter A, Chapter 372, Local Government Code, by adding Section 372.0125, as follows:

Authorizes municipalities and counties to add territory to a PID only following petition by the following number of landowners in the area:

Owners of more than 50% of the appraised value of taxable real property in the area; and,

More than 50% of the owners of taxable real property, or the owners of more than 50% of taxable real property, in the area.

SECTION 2. Effective Date.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2003 unless the Act receives the vote necessary for immediate effect.