

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 3021
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Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Under current law, a director or employee of a Sports and Community Venue Districts governed by Chapter 335 of the Local Government Code shall disclose a vendor relationship in a written conflicts disclosure statement filed with the board secretary. Committee Substitute House Bill 3021 would require the disclosure of financial or business relationships by a director, the mayor or county judge who appointed the board, and each member of the governing body of the municipality or county that created the district. Disclosure would be made in the board's minutes and to the Texas Ethics Commission, and would preclude a director from voting or participating in any action related to the disclosure. Failure to make the requisite disclosure would be a third degree felony.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter F, Chapter 335, Local Government Code, by adding Section 335.1085, which requires a director, the mayor or county judge who appointed the board, and each member of the governing body of the municipality or county that created the district to disclose any financial or other business relationship with any person doing business with the district. The disclosure shall be in the board's minutes and to the Texas Ethics Commission. A disclosure precludes a person's participation or vote on any action related to the person about whom the disclosure was made. Failure to disclose any such financial or other business relationship is a third degree felony.

SECTION 2. This Act only applies to any action taken, or disclosure required, on or after November 1, 2003.

SECTION 3. Effective date.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2003.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL TO SUBSTITUTE

C.S.H.B. 3021 extends the disclosure requirements of the original to the mayor or county judge who appointed the board, and each member of the governing body of the municipality or county that created the district.