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S.B. No. 1537

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 relating to the extraterritorial jurisdiction of general-law
2 municipalities.
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4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 42, Local Government Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 42.027 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 42.027. AUTHORITY OF GENERAL-LAW MUNICIPALITY TO
8 INCLUDE AREA IN EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION ON REQUEST OF AREA
9 VOTERS. (a) This section applies only to a general-law
10 municipality that has an extraterritorial jurisdiction of more than
11 one mile, at any point contiguous to its corporate boundaries.

12 (b) If a majority of the qualified voters of an area
13 contiguous to the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a general-law
14 municipality vote in favor of becoming a part of the municipality's
15 extraterritorial jurisdiction, any three of those voters may
16 prepare an affidavit to the fact of the vote and file the affidavit
17 with the mayor of the municipality.

18 (c) The mayor shall certify the filed affidavit to the
19 governing body of the municipality. On receipt of the certified
20 affidavit, the governing body by ordinance may include the area in
21 its extraterritorial jurisdiction.

22 (d) On the effective date of the ordinance, the area becomes
23 a part of the municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction and the
24 inhabitants of the area are bound by the acts and ordinances adopted

1 by the municipality pertaining to the municipality's
2 extraterritorial jurisdiction.

3 SECTION 2. This act takes effect September 1, 2007.