

1-1 By: Fraser S.B. No. 1537  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 8, 2007; March 20, 2007, read  
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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1537 By: Gallegos

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the authority of certain general-law municipalities to  
1-11 add area to their extraterritorial jurisdiction on the request of  
1-12 area property owners.

1-13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-14 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 42, Local Government Code,  
1-15 is amended by adding Section 42.027 to read as follows:

1-16 Sec. 42.027. AUTHORITY OF GENERAL-LAW MUNICIPALITY TO  
1-17 INCLUDE AREA IN EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION ON REQUEST OF AREA  
1-18 PROPERTY OWNERS. (a) This section applies only to a general-law  
1-19 municipality that has an extraterritorial jurisdiction of more than  
1-20 one mile at any point contiguous to the municipality's corporate  
1-21 boundaries.

1-22 (b) If a majority of the property owners of an area  
1-23 contiguous to the municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction  
1-24 sign a petition in favor of becoming a part of the municipality's  
1-25 extraterritorial jurisdiction, any three of those property owners  
1-26 may prepare an affidavit regarding the petition and file the  
1-27 affidavit, with a metes and bounds description of the area  
1-28 attached, with the presiding officer of the governing body of the  
1-29 municipality.

1-30 (c) The presiding officer of the governing body of the  
1-31 municipality shall certify the filed affidavit, with a metes and  
1-32 bounds description of the area attached, to the governing body of  
1-33 the municipality. On receipt of the certified affidavit, with a  
1-34 metes and bounds description of the area attached, the governing  
1-35 body by ordinance may include the described area in the  
1-36 municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

1-37 (d) On the effective date of the ordinance, the described  
1-38 area becomes a part of the municipality's extraterritorial  
1-39 jurisdiction and the inhabitants of the area are bound by the acts  
1-40 and ordinances adopted by the municipality that apply to the  
1-41 municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

1-42 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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