

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1473
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Land & Resource Management
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, hearings are required for any changes to certain subdivisions in which a golf course is included in the subdivision's development. These hearings are only required in a municipality that has a population of more than 50,000 and is located wholly or partly in a county with a population of more than three million in a county or with a population of more than 275,000 that is adjacent to a county with a population of more than three million. Such hearings help to protect the rights of persons who moved into certain subdivisions for the golf course.

H.B. 1473 requires the local municipality to conduct a hearing before considering approval of a replat in counties with a population of 1.4 million, in which two or more municipalities with a population of 300,000 or more are located and that is adjacent to a county with a population of more than two million.

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

H.B. 1473 amends the Local Government Code to make provisions relating to additional requirements for certain replats affecting a subdivision golf course applicable to land located wholly or partly in the corporate boundaries of a municipality if the municipality is located wholly or partly in a county with a population of more than 1.4 million in which two or more municipalities with a population of 300,000 or more are located and that is adjacent to a county with a population of more than two million.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the act does not receive the necessary vote, the act takes effect August 31, 2009.