BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1560 By: Scott Economic & Small Business Development Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current law allows a city or county to nominate a project or activity of a qualified business located within the jurisdiction of the city or county for designation as an enterprise project and allows a county that meets a certain population minimum to nominate a project located in the county and in the jurisdiction of a city located in the county. H.B. 1560 seeks to clarify the authority of a county to nominate projects in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of certain municipalities for designation as enterprise projects.

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. 1560 amends the Government Code to add provisions to the Texas Enterprise Zone Act authorizing the governing body of a county to nominate for designation as an enterprise project a project or activity of a qualified business that is located in the county and in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality primarily located in another county. The bill authorizes a county during any biennium to use within such a territory the maximum number of designations the county is permitted under provisions of law relating to enterprise project designation.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2011.