

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3352
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Urban Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current law requires a city to hold a citywide election for approval before selling, transferring, or conveying park land. However, some park lands are not used for a park or for recreational purposes and the expense of holding an election to approve selling or trading the land would be cumbersome.

H.B.3352 exempts the conveyance of certain park lands from the provisions governing the sale of park lands, municipal building sites, or abandoned roadways.

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

This bill amends Section 253.001, Local Government Code by adding Subsection (1), which provides that Subsection (b) does not apply to a conveyance of park land owned by a home-rule municipality that is located in a county with a population of more than three million and has a population of more than 25,000 and less than 23,000.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Upon passage, or, if the Act does not receive the necessary vote, the Act takes effect September 1, 2011.