

House Bill 360
Senate Amendments
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. Section 52.072, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) In addition to any other requirement imposed by law for a proposition, including a provision prescribing the proposition language, a proposition allowing the voters to approve the imposition or increase of a tax or the issuance of bonds shall specifically state:

(1) as applicable:

(A) the total dollar amount of bonds that will be issued; or

(B) the amount of the tax or tax rate increase; and

(2) in plain language and in not more than three sentences, any projects to be supported by the bonds.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an election ordered on or after the effective date of this Act. An election ordered before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the election was ordered.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

SENATE VERSION (CS)

SECTION 1. Section 52.072, Election Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) In addition to any other requirement imposed by law for a proposition, including a provision prescribing the proposition language, a proposition submitted to the voters for approval of the issuance of bonds or the imposition, increase, or reduction of a tax shall specifically state,

as applicable:

(1) with respect to a proposition seeking voter approval of the issuance of bonds:

(A) the total principal amount of the bonds to be authorized, if approved; and

(B) a general description of the purposes for which the bonds are to be authorized, if approved;

(2) with respect to a proposition that only seeks voter approval of the imposition or increase of a tax, the amount of or maximum tax rate of the tax or tax increase for which approval is sought; or

(3) with respect to a proposition that only seeks voter approval of the reduction of a tax, the amount of tax rate reduction or the tax rate for which approval is sought.

SECTION 2. Same as House version.

SECTION 3. Same as House version.

CONFERENCE