## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center

S.B. 111 By: Lucio Government Organization 7/1/2013 Enrolled

## **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

- S.B. 111 helps build greater awareness of Texas's unique historic places and encourages the long-term preservation of significant cultural resources that have survived in Texas communities for many generations.
- S.B. 111 requires the Texas Historical Commission (THC) to designate certain historical buildings as Texas Historical Use Buildings giving THC another tool in preserving historic sites in communities across Texas.
- S.B. 111 amends current law relating to the designation of Texas Historical Use Buildings.

## **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

## **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

- SECTION 1. Amends Section 442.006, Government Code, by adding Subsection (d-1), as follows:
  - (d-1) Requires the Texas Historical Commission (THC) to specially designate as a Texas Historical Use Building that is considered worthy of preservation because of its history, culture, or architecture a building that:
    - (1) is currently used regularly for a purpose that benefits the community in which the building is located, as determined by THC; and
    - (2) has been used regularly for the purpose described by Subdivision (1) for at least 150 years.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2013.

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