

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 4176
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Special Purpose Districts
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties suggest that the law governing the Lake Cities Municipal Utility Authority needs to be updated, including provisions governing the composition of the authority's board of directors. The parties contend that the Town of Hickory Creek needs to be represented on the board of directors just like the other two cities served by the authority. H.B. 4176 seeks to address this need.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

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. 4176 amends Chapter 1137, Acts of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999, to revise the territory of the Lake Cities Municipal Utility Authority (LCMUA) to include the Town of Hickory Creek, replace the applicable part of the City of Shady Shores with the Town of Shady Shores, and specify that LCMUA's territory also consists of territory contained in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of its composing entities. The bill sets out residency requirements for the five director places. The bill prohibits more than two LCMUA officers from residing in the same municipality. The bill authorizes the facsimile signature of the LCMUA vice president to be printed or lithographed on bonds issued in the name of LCMUA.

H.B. 4176 repeals Section 7(d), Chapter 1137, Acts of the 76th Legislature, Regular Session, 1999, requiring the board of directors of LCMUA to elect a secretary and a treasurer from its members and authorizing the board to combine those offices.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2015.