

SENATE AMENDMENTS

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By: Workman

H.B. No. 3666

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the withdrawal of the territory of an emergency services district from the territory of a metropolitan rapid transit authority.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 451.601, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 451.601. UNIT OF ELECTION DEFINED. In this subchapter, "unit of election" means:

(1) a municipality, including a principal municipality; ~~or~~

(2) an unincorporated area designated by a commissioners court under Section 451.657 as a discrete unit for the purposes of a confirmation election; or

(3) an emergency services district operating under Chapter 775, Health and Safety Code.

SECTION 2. Subchapter M, Chapter 451, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 451.618 to read as follows:

Sec. 451.618. WITHDRAWAL: ALTERNATIVE METHOD FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICTS. (a) An emergency services district operating under Chapter 775, Health and Safety Code, may withdraw from an authority, in addition to any other manner provided by law, by a vote of a majority of the registered voters of the district voting at an election on the question of withdrawing from the authority.

1 (b) The governing body of the emergency services district
2 shall call an election under this section if a petition requesting
3 that an election to withdraw from the authority be held is submitted
4 to the governing body and is signed by at least 10 percent of the
5 registered voters of the district on the date the petition is
6 submitted. To be counted for purposes of validating the petition, a
7 signature on the petition must have been inscribed not earlier than
8 the 120th day before the date the petition is submitted to the
9 governing body.

10 (c) The governing body, before the 31st day after the date
11 the petition is submitted to the governing body, shall determine
12 whether a petition under this section is valid, and if the governing
13 body fails to act on the petition before the expiration of that
14 period, the petition is valid.

15 (d) Sections 451.601, 451.607, 451.608, 451.609, 451.611,
16 451.612(a), and 451.613 apply to the withdrawal of an emergency
17 services district under this section.

18 (e) An election may not be called under this section to be
19 held on a date earlier than the first anniversary of the date of the
20 most recent election held under this section.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

ADOPTED

MAY 26 2015

Letae Spaw
Secretary of the Senate

By: Workman/ Watson

H.B. No. 3446

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 3446

By: *[Signature]*

C.S. H.B. No. 3446

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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relating to the withdrawal of the territory of certain emergency services districts from the territory of a metropolitan rapid transit authority.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

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(2) an unincorporated area designated by a commissioners court under Section 451.657 as a discrete unit for the purposes of a confirmation election; or

(3) an emergency services district operating under Chapter 775, Health and Safety Code, that:

(A) borders Lake Travis; and

(B) is located in or borders two municipalities with a population of more than 45,000.

SECTION 2. Subchapter M, Chapter 451, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 451.618 to read as follows:

Sec. 451.618. WITHDRAWAL: ALTERNATIVE METHOD FOR CERTAIN EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICTS. (a) An emergency services district described by Section 451.601(3) may withdraw from an

1 authority, in addition to any other manner provided by law, by a
2 vote of a majority of the registered voters of the district
3 voting at an election on the question of withdrawing from the
4 authority.

5 (b) The governing body of the emergency services district
6 shall call an election under this section if a petition
7 requesting that an election to withdraw from the authority be
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9 least 10 percent of the registered voters of the district on the
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11 validating the petition, a signature on the petition must have
12 been inscribed not earlier than the 120th day before the date
13 the petition is submitted to the governing body.

14 (c) The governing body, before the 31st day after the date
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16 whether a petition under this section is valid, and if the
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18 expiration of that period, the petition is valid.

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20 451.612(a), and 451.613 apply to the withdrawal of an emergency
21 services district under this section.

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23 held on a date earlier than the first anniversary of the date of
24 the most recent election held under this section.

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 27, 2015

TO: Honorable Joe Straus, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3666 by Workman (Relating to the withdrawal of the territory of certain emergency services districts from the territory of a metropolitan rapid transit authority.), **As Passed 2nd House**

<p>No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</p>
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Local Government Impact

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: UP, SD, AG, EK

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 22, 2015

TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3666 by Workman (Relating to the withdrawal of the territory of certain emergency services districts from the territory of a metropolitan rapid transit authority.),
Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted

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LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

May 19, 2015

TO: Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3666 by Workman (Relating to the withdrawal of the territory of an emergency services district from the territory of a metropolitan rapid transit authority.), **As Engrossed**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Transportation Code to permit an emergency services district to withdraw from the territory of a metro rapid transit authority if a majority of the registered voters of a district vote and approve at an election the withdraw from the authority. The bill would require a governing body of an emergency services district to call an election if a petition is received and validated as having 10% of the registered voters of the district signatures, requesting an election on the withdrawing of the authority. The bill would prohibit an election from being called earlier than the first anniversary of the date of the most recent election held under the provisions of the bill.

Local Government Impact

The costs of elections would vary depending on the number of elections required by valid petitions and the number of registered voters of an emergency services district. However, there is no way to estimate which districts will receive the necessary petitions to require an election. The fiscal impact of the bill on local governments cannot be determined.

Source Agencies:

LBB Staff: UP, AG, SD, EK

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD
Austin, Texas

FISCAL NOTE, 84TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION

April 29, 2015

TO: Honorable Joseph Pickett, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB3666 by Workman (Relating to the withdrawal of the territory of an emergency services district from the territory of a metropolitan rapid transit authority.), **As Introduced**

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