BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Written notice is given after certain bills have been filed that includes the bill's number corresponding to the proposed district. In this way, the public can more easily track the legislation and attend committee hearings or take any actions needed in regard to the legislation during the legislative process. Chapter 313, Government Code, requires a person intending to apply for passage of a local or special law to publish notice of that intention in a newspaper published in each county the law will affect at least 30 days before the date on which the proposed law is introduced in the Legislature. H.B. 2365 would require the notice to contain the name of the person paying for the publication.

H.B. 2365 amends current law relating to information required to be published with a notice of intent to apply for the passage of a local or special law.

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 313.002(c), Government Code, to provide that publication of notice of intent to pass a local or special law is sufficient if it contains a statement of the general purpose and substance of the intended law and the name of the person paying for the publication, rather than if it contains a statement of the general purpose and substance of the intended law.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 313.006(c), Government Code, to make a conforming change.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.