BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 4073 By: Perez County Affairs Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been noted that current law governing the dissolution date of a crime control and prevention district does not fully align such dates with the election dates available to a local government seeking to reauthorize the associated tax. Such discrepancies have been reported to create local scheduling issues regarding election planning as well as potential voter confusion. H.B. 4073 seeks to address this issue by revising the applicable dissolution dates to prevent a tax imposed for crime control and prevention purposes from expiring before a continuation referendum can be held.

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. 4073 amends the Local Government Code to set a crime control and prevention district for dissolution, including a district subject to dissolution resulting from a failed continuation referendum, on expiration of the period for which the district was authorized to impose taxes for district purposes pursuant to the last successful creation or continuation election. The bill removes provisions providing for certain other dissolution dates for such a district.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.