

By: Thompson of Brazoria

H.B. No. 4361

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the standing of municipalities in certain civil
3 actions.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 30, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 30.022 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 30.022. STANDING OF MUNICIPALITIES IN CERTAIN ACTIONS.

8 A municipality has standing to bring or intervene in a civil action
9 if the intervention is necessary to protect or defend the rights of
10 a resident of the municipality. This section applies regardless of
11 whether the party opposing the municipal resident is located
12 outside of the municipality.

13 SECTION 2. Section 30.022, Civil Practice and Remedies
14 Code, as added by this Act, applies only to an action filed on or
15 after the effective date of this Act.

16 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.