## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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## AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Many Texans find themselves needing additional sick leave, either for themselves or to care for another family member. Currently, only counties with populations of one million or more may establish a voluntary sick leave pool. H.B. 180 would amend Local Government Code Title 5, Subchapter E, to enable more counties to establish sick leave pools by permitting employees in counties with a population of 800,000 or more to donate unused vacation leave.

Current law requires that only a county with a population of one million or more may allow an employee to voluntarily transfer vacation time earned by the employee to a county sick leave pool.

H.B. 180 amends current law relating to the transfer of vacation leave time to a sick leave pool in certain counties.

## **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 157.072(b), Local Government Code, to authorize the commissioners court of a county with a population of 800,000 or more, rather than one million or more, to allow an employee to voluntarily transfer vacation leave time earned by the employee to a county sick leave pool.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2021.