

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2673
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Transportation
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been reported that smaller cities and counties that receive grants from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) for transportation projects face heavy financial burdens when the cost of a project managed by TxDOT exceeds the amount of the grant awarded. H.B. 2673 seeks to incentivize TxDOT to control the costs of these grant-based projects by providing for reimbursement to a grant recipient for costs that exceed the amount of the grant awarded.

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. 2673 amends the Transportation Code to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to reimburse the recipient of a grant awarded by TxDOT for the construction of a transportation project in a county with a population of less than 25,000 or a municipality with a population of less than 15,000 for costs incurred by the recipient that exceed the grant amount if the construction is managed by TxDOT.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2021.