

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 4356
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Urban Affairs
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Certain municipal development districts have had difficulty filling positions on the boards of directors of the districts. In the Grapeland Municipal Development District, for instance, there are not enough interested candidates for appointment residing in the applicable qualifying municipality, as specified in the statute, who are both qualified and interested in such an appointment. C.S.H.B. 4356 seeks to add to the pool of possible directors by expanding the boundaries of the MDD to align with the local school district as prescribed by the bill for residency purposes of a qualifying board member.

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

C.S.H.B. 4356 amends the Local Government Code to authorize a person to serve as director of a municipal development district if the person resides in the independent school district that serves the majority of the municipal development district and the district is located in a municipality:

- with a population of more than 1,488 and less than 2,500; and
- that is located wholly in a county with a population of more than 20,000 and less than 30,000 that borders the Neches River and the Trinity River.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2021.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

C.S.H.B. 4356 differs from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways by conforming to certain bill drafting conventions.