BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Intergovernmental Support Agreements (IGSAs) are authorized by 10 U.S.C. Section 2679 as a means for the Department of Defense to partner with state or local governments in providing installation support services. Not only are IGSAs more efficient than traditional federal contracting law because they use local procurement methods rather than complex and cumbersome federal processes, but they allow state and local government entities to recover all direct and indirect costs incurred by supporting the military. IGSAs are an important opportunity for military installations and local governments to form partnerships that save time and money for military installations and provide a source of revenue and the benefits of economies of scale for local governments.

S.B. 780 authorizes a local government to contract or agree with a military unit of the United States Department of Defense assigned to a military installation that is located within the state to perform governmental functions and services in accordance with Chapter 791, Government Code.

As proposed, S.B. 780 amends current law relating to the authority of a local government to enter into an intergovernmental support agreement with a branch of the armed forces of the United States.

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 Title 7, Government Code, by adding Chapter 793, as follows:

CHAPTER 793. INTERGOVERNMENTAL SUPPORT AGREEMENTS

Sec. 793.001. DEFINITION. Defines "local government."

Sec. 793.002. AUTHORITY TO ENTER AGREEMENT. Authorizes a local government, in accordance with the provisions that apply to an interlocal contract under Chapter 791 (Interlocal Cooperation Contracts), to enter into an intergovernmental support agreement with a branch of the armed forces of the United States under the National Defense Authorization Act (10 U.S.C. Section 2679) to provide installation-support services to a military installation located in Texas.

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