

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 4928
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Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

In 2019, the legislature enacted legislation granting Wichita County the authority to administer and operate a county health care provider participation program. This authority is scheduled to expire at the end of 2023. C.S.H.B. 4928 seeks to postpone the expiration of that authority to December 31, 2027.

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. 4928 amends the Health and Safety Code to postpone from December 31, 2023, to December 31, 2027, the expiration of the authority of a county with a population of more than 125,000 that contains a hospital district that is not countywide and that borders Oklahoma to administer and operate a county health care provider participation program.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2023.

COMPARISON OF INTRODUCED AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 4928 may differ from the introduced in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

The substitute retains the following provisions from the introduced:

- the provision postponing until December 31, 2027, the expiration of the authority of the county to administer and operate a county health care provider participation program; and
- the effective date provision.

The substitute omits all other provisions of the introduced, which related to the operation of the program.