BILL ANALYSIS

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S.B. 2258

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 2258 amends current law relating to authorizing certain cities to change the date on which their general election for officers is held.

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 41.0052, Election Code, by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (f), as follows:

- (c) Authorizes a home-rule city to implement a change authorized by Section 41.0052 (Changing General Election Date), rather than to implement the change authorized by Subsection (a) (relating to authorizing a governing body of a political subdivision that meets certain criteria, not later than December 31, 2016, to change the date on which it holds its general election for officers to the November uniform election date) or to provide for the election of all members of the governing body at the same election through the adoption of a resolution.
- (f) Authorizes a governing body of a city with a population of 9,000 or less, located predominantly in a county that has a total area of less than 4,800 square miles, that has adopted a council-manager form of government and that holds its general election for officers on a date other than the November uniform election date to, not later than December 31, 2024, change the date on which it holds its general election for officers to the November uniform election date. Provides that Subsections (b) (relating to requiring a governing body changing an election date to adjust the terms of office to conform to the new election date), (c), and (d) (relating to providing that the holdover of a member of a governing body of a city does not constitute a vacancy) apply to the change of an election date under this subsection. Provides that this subsection expires January 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2023.