BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center 89R12612 DNC-F H.B. 3053 By: Virdell et al. (Hall) State Affairs 5/21/2025 Engrossed

AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 3053 amends current law relating to municipal and county firearm buyback programs.

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 Chapter 280, Local Government Code, by adding Section 280.005, as follows:

Sec. 280.005. FIREARM BUYBACK PROGRAMS PROHIBITED. Prohibits a municipality or county from adopting or enforcing an ordinance, order, or other measure in which the municipality or county organizes, sponsors, or participates in a program that purchases or offers to purchase firearms with the intent to remove firearms from circulation, reduce the number of firearms owned by civilians, or allow individuals to sell firearms without fear of criminal prosecution.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2025.