

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 1290
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County Affairs
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

County assistance districts perform a variety of functions for the benefit of counties, such as the construction and maintenance of roads, providing law enforcement services, maintaining parks or other recreational facilities, and promoting economic development. However, it has been noted that these districts are only able to perform these functions within the boundaries of the district, which limits the most efficient operation of the district. C.S.H.B. 1290 seeks to address this issue by authorizing county assistance districts to perform functions for the benefit of the district outside the district.

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. 1290 amends the Local Government Code to authorize a county assistance district to perform its statutorily authorized functions outside the district for the district's benefit in a location that is not more than two miles from the district in Texas.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2021.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 1290 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

The original authorized a county assistance district to perform its functions in locations in Texas not more than five mile from the district. The substitute decreases that distance to two miles.