

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Section 61.025, Health and Safety Code, provides a mechanism for cities and counties to enter into an agreement in order to provide indigent health care. Once such an agreement is reached, the law stipulates that neither the county nor the city may revoke or amend the agreement. This bill would amend Section 61.025, Health and Safety Code, to allow a county to revoke or amend an indigent health agreement if a hospital district is created in the county after the effective date of the agreement.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2397 amends Section 61.025(e), Health and Safety Code, to allow a county to revoke or amend an indigent health agreement if a hospital district is created in the county after the effective date of the agreement.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 61.025(e), Health and Safety Code, to prohibit a county and municipality from revoking or amending an agreement made under this section, except that a county may revoke or amend the agreement if a hospital district is created after the effective date of the agreement and the boundaries of the district cover all or part of the county.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.