BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law allows counties with a population of 250,000 or more to enact fire codes. Many counties are experiencing rapid growth. Because of the growth, there is concern as to whether counties will need the ability to establish and enforce fire codes in developing areas. S.B. 10 would authorize a county adjacent to a county with a population of over 250,000 to adopt a fire code and rules necessary to administer and enforce the fire code.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 10 outlines provisions regarding the authority of certain counties to adopt and enforce a fire code.

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 235.001(a), Local Government Code, to authorize the commissioners court of a county with a population of over 250,000 or a county adjacent to a county with a population of over 250,000 to adopt a fire code and rules necessary to administer and enforce the fire code.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.