BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, counties with a population of over 2.8 million, such as Harris County, can do construction, renovation, and maintenance projects on their own buildings without a city permit, if they use their own personnel. In contrast, Tarrant County building projects on county-owned improvements have been delayed for up to six weeks while waiting for the appropriate city permit. H.B. 2626 would allow counties with a population of 250,000 or more to proceed with construction and renovation work on county-owned improvements without a city permit, if they use their own personnel.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2626 allows counties with a population of 250,000 or more to proceed with construction and renovation work on county-owned improvements without a city permit, if they use their own personnel.

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 212.903(a), Local Government Code, to provide that this section applies only to a county with a population of 250,000 or more, rather than 2.8 million.

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