BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the City of Houston's extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) extends to the northwest, roughly 25 to 30 miles away from the city limits. According to the Local Government Code, Houston's ETJ is the unincorporated area located within five miles of the corporate boundaries. S.B. 1498 would establish provisions regarding the extraterritorial jurisdiction of and annexation by certain municipalities.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1498 establishes provisions regarding the extraterritorial jurisdiction of and annexation by certain municipalities.

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 Chapter 42B, Local Government Code, by adding Sections 42.0215 and 42.0216, as follows:

Sec. 42.0215. EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION: CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES. Provides that the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality with a population of 1.5 million or more is an unincorporated area that is contiguous to certain boundaries that are maintained by the municipality. Establishes that when a municipality annexes an area, the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality expands with the annexation to comprise the area around the new boundaries.

Sec. 42.0216. RESTRICTIONS ON CERTAIN TERRITORY. Provides that this section applies only to certain territory that a municipality had, but was removed from the municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction. Prohibits a municipality from being incorporated in the territory before the 15th anniversary of the date that the municipality lost extraterritorial jurisdiction over the territory. Provides that the extraterritorial jurisdiction does not extend into the territory. Requires the municipality that lost extraterritorial jurisdiction over the territory to continue to regulate the subdivision of property in the territory under Chapter 212.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 43.056(c), Local Government Code, to redefine "full municipal services."

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.