

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

H.B. 2514 authorizes a municipality with a population of more than one million to designate a defined area in the municipality as an arts and entertainment district. The municipality would be authorized to solicit grants and donations to develop the district, provide incentives to persons to develop the area, and provide tax breaks to persons to develop the district. Based on the 2000 U.S. census, the population criteria would apply to the cities of Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Subtitle A, Title 10, Local Government Code, by adding Chapter 309, as follows:

#### CHAPTER 309. ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS

Sec. 309.001. ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICTS. (a) Authorizes a municipality with a population of more than one million to designate a defined area in the municipality as an arts and entertainment district to develop a public and private collaboration that plays a vital role in the cultural life and development of the community in the district.

(b) Requires the municipality to develop the area in the district so that it contributes to the public through interpretive, educational, and recreational uses.

(c) Authorizes the municipality to solicit grants and donations for the development of the district.

(d) Authorizes the municipality to provide incentives to persons to develop the area in the district for public purposes.

(e) Authorizes the municipality to provide tax breaks to persons in the district to develop the district for public purposes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.