

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

This proposal adds criteria to qualify as a Tier 2 county. The proposed amendment adds that a county with: a population of less than 125,000, which is contiguous with a county with a population of more than 2.2 million or more, and which contains any portion of the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality with a population of more than 1.1 million and has at least one municipal utility district district is a Tier 2 county. This would give citizens in Kaufman, Rockwall, Liberty, and Waller a vote in any proposed annexation rather than leaving the decision to the local city council.

H.B. 3383 amends current law relating to the definition of a tier 1 county for purposes of municipal annexation.

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 Section 43.001(2), Local Government Code, as follows:

(2) Defines "Tier 1 county" to mean a county:

(A) makes no changes to this paragraph; and

(B) that is not:

(i) creates this subparagraph from existing text and makes nonsubstantive changes; or

(ii) a county with a population of less than 125,000:

(a) that is adjacent to a county with a population of more than 2.2 million;

(b) that contains any portion of the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality with a population of more than 1.1 million; and

(c) in which more than one municipal utility district registered with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality as being active is located.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2019.