

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2095
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Ways & Means
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

According to interested parties, the program under which eligible central municipalities receive certain tax rebates has a track record of producing economic development benefits for both the state and the municipalities. The parties contend that other municipalities, such as the City of McKinney, should be given the opportunity to participate in the program for the promotion of tourism, the hotel convention center, and the hotel industry in McKinney. C.S.H.B. 2095 seeks to provide for such participation.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2095 amends the Government Code to expand the definition of "qualified hotel project," for purposes of the Texas Enterprise Zone Act, to include a hotel, including a privately owned hotel adjoining a convention center owned by a political subdivision of the state, proposed to be constructed by or in conjunction with a municipality having a population of more than 130,000 that is located within 50 miles of this state's border with Oklahoma or by a nonprofit municipally sponsored local government corporation created under the Texas Transportation Corporation Act by that municipality, including shops, parking facilities, and any other facilities ancillary to the hotel.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2015.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 2095 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

INTRODUCED	HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SECTION 1. Section 2303.003(8),	SECTION 1. Section 2303.003(8),

Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(8) "Qualified hotel project" means:

(A) a hotel proposed to be constructed by a municipality or a nonprofit municipally sponsored local government corporation created under the Texas Transportation Corporation Act, Chapter 431, Transportation Code, that is within 1,000 feet of a convention center owned by a municipality having a population of 1,500,000 or more, including shops, parking facilities, and any other facilities ancillary to the hotel; ~~and~~

(B) a hotel proposed to be constructed, remodeled, or rehabilitated by a municipality or a nonprofit municipally sponsored local government corporation created under the Texas Transportation Corporation Act, Chapter 431, Transportation Code, that is within 3,000 feet of the property line of a convention center owned by a municipality having a population of more than 500,000 and that borders the United Mexican States; and

(C) a hotel, including a privately owned hotel adjoining a convention center owned by a political subdivision of this state, proposed to be constructed by or in conjunction with a municipality having a population of more than 145,000 that is located within 50 miles of this state's border with Oklahoma, or by a nonprofit municipally sponsored local government corporation created under the Texas Transportation Corporation Act, Chapter 431, Transportation Code, by that municipality, including shops, parking facilities, and any other facilities ancillary to the hotel.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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SECTION 2. Same as introduced version.