

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1417
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Urban Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Proponents suggest that tourism public improvement districts have been a great success for the municipalities that have adopted them. It has also been suggested that other municipalities, such as the City of Nacogdoches, would benefit from such districts. H.B. 1417 seeks to address this issue by authorizing certain municipalities to undertake certain projects that confer a special benefit on areas that share a common characteristic or use.

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

H.B. 1417 amends the Local Government Code to authorize a municipality that has a population of more than 20,000 and is wholly located in a county with a population of more than 55,000 and less than 65,000 to undertake a project that confers a special benefit on areas that share a common characteristic or use in a public improvement district solely composed of territory in which the only businesses are hotels with 75 or more rooms ordinarily used for sleeping.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.