

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 3197  
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Ways & Means  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

It has been suggested that certain municipalities, such as the City of Odessa, are in need of greater flexibility with regard to the use and allocation of municipal hotel occupancy tax revenue. H.B. 3197 seeks to provide this flexibility.

### **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. 3197 amends the Tax Code to authorize a municipality with a population of at least 95,000, in which a component university of The University of Texas System is located, and that is located in a county bisected by U.S. Highway 385 that has a population of not more than 140,000 to use revenue derived from the municipal hotel occupancy tax to construct sports facilities and a multipurpose convocation center capable of hosting intercollegiate athletic events on land owned by a state university if the municipality leases the land on which the sports facility will be located from the university for a term of at least 25 years. The bill sets out certain required and prohibited actions for a qualifying municipality using revenue for that purpose.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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