

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, in many counties, the county treasurer is the only person authorized to execute certain financial responsibilities. As a result, if the county treasurer is unable to perform these duties, the county's obligations may not be met on a timely basis. H.B. 1475 would authorize the county treasurer, in a county without a deputy county treasurer, to appoint a person to act in the treasurer's place if the treasurer is absent, unavoidably detained, incapacitated, or unable to act.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 1475 outlines provisions regarding the appointment of a person to act in the place of a county treasurer.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 83.005, Local Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 83.005. New heading: APPOINTMENT OF PERSON TO ACT IN TREASURER'S PLACE. Authorizes the county treasurer to appoint a person to act in the treasurer's place in a county in which the county treasurer does not have a deputy, rather than in a county with a population of more than 190,000. Deletes text regarding a provision for an appointed person acting in the treasurer's place. Provides that if the treasurer appoints a person other than a regularly employed county employee, rather than assistant, the appointed person may not receive any compensation from the county. Deletes text prohibiting the appointed person from receiving any compensation from a county with a population of 355,000 or more.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997.
Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.