BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the Local Government Code regulates programs regarding housing and community development in the State of Texas. State regulations affecting these development programs may not provide the flexibility that federal regulations provide. This bill adds clarification language to the Local Government Code to allow more flexibility in the award of federal funds to nonprofit housing and community development organizations.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2692 clarifies language in the Local Government Code to allow more flexibility in the award of federal funds to nonprofit housing and community development organizations.

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 252.021, Local Government Code, by adding Subsection (d), to provide that this chapter does not apply to the expenditure of municipal funds that are derived from an appropriation, loan, or grant received by a municipality from the federal or state government for conducting a community development program established under Chapter 373 if items are purchased under a request-for-proposal process under the program.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.