

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law permits a municipality with a population of more than 10,000 to make payroll deductions for membership dues to a bonafide employees' association. Such deductions are voluntary and require a formal, written request from the employee. S.B. 823 would require cities with a population of more than 50,000 to make such payroll deductions, under certain conditions, and at the request of an employee.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 823 requires cities with a population of more than 50,000 to make certain deductions from the wages or salary of an employee for membership dues to a bona fide employees' association, under certain conditions, and if requested by an employee to do so.

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 141.008, Local Government Code, to require the governing body of a municipality with a population of more than 50,000 to make the payroll deduction described by Subsection (a) if requested in writing by the employee and if the municipality permits deductions for purposes other than charitable donation, retirement plan contribution, deferred compensation, insurance or tax payment, or garnishment. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.