

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law requires communities to contribute local matching funds in order to take part in state programs. In many communities across the state, local economic factors severely restrict the ability of those communities to raise the necessary matching funds. This bill would authorize state agencies to waive or adjust matching funds requirements for economically disadvantaged counties.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 3682 authorizes state agencies to waive or adjust matching funds requirements for economically disadvantaged counties.

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 Chapter 783, Government Code, by adding Section 783.009, as follows:

Sec. 783.009. MATCHING FUND WAIVER FOR ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED COUNTY. Defines "economically disadvantaged county." Authorizes a state agency, for an economically disadvantaged county, waive or adjust any matching funds requirement that is otherwise a condition for a county to receive a grant or other form of financial assistance from the agency.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.