

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, certain Texas counties do not have statutory authority to require food training for management personnel. However, some large home rule cities may already require proper food training through city ordinances. S.B. 1477 would allow counties with a population of 2.8 million or more to require a trained food manager to be on duty during operating hours of a food service establishment.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1477 allows counties with a population of 2.8 million or more to require a trained food manager to be on duty during operating hours of a food service establishment.

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 437.0123(a), Health and Safety Code, to authorize a county with a population of at least 2.8 million to require a trained food manager to be on duty during the operating hours of a food establishment. Provides that the training required of food managers can be no more extensive than that specified under Chapter 438D. Prohibits a food establishment that handles only prepackaged food and does not prepare or package food from being required to have a certified food manager under this section.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: 90 days after adjournment.