

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

A municipal sanitary sewer system during heavy rain events is impacted by factors known as infiltration and inflow (I&I). I&I contribute to sanitary sewer overflows, which must be controlled under the Federal Clean Water Act. Common examples of I&I include storm water leaking into sanitary sewer lines due to aging of the lines and direct storm water connections. As proposed, S.B. 1689 removes from current law the requirement that private homeowners be assessed for the cost of sanitary sewer line repairs or replacements on their property.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 402.901, Local Government Code, by adding Subsection (k), to provide that this section does not affect the ability of a home-rule municipality, in exercising its home-rule powers under Section 5, Article XI, Texas Constitution, to relocate or replace a water or sanitation sewer lateral on private property without making an assessment against the property or a person.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.