

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

To limit the establishment of *colonias*, or housing developments in unincorporated areas, current law provides for certain restrictions that counties may use to limit subdivision plats in certain unincorporated areas.

S.B. 1676 amends current law relating to fees charged by certain counties near international borders for issuing certain utility certificates.

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 232.028(g), Local Government Code, to authorize the commissioners court to impose a fee for a certificate issued under this section for a subdivision which is located in the county and not within the limits of a municipality, rather than for a subdivision part of which is located in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality and part of which is not located in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 232.029, Local Government Code, by adding Subsection (n), as follows:

(n) Authorizes the commissioners court to impose a fee for a certificate issued under this section for a subdivision which is located in the county and not within the limits of a municipality. Authorizes the amount of the fee to be the greater of \$30 or the amount of the fee imposed by the municipality for a subdivision that is located entirely in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality for a certificate issued under Section 212.0115 (Certification Regarding Compliance With Plat Requirements). Provides that a person who obtains a certificate under this section is not required to obtain a certificate under Section 212.0115.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2009.