

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

There have been calls to address the concerns of persons affected by homelessness in Texas by obtaining greater public input. H.B. 1278 seeks to address this issue by requiring the Texas Interagency Council for the Homeless to hold public hearings on homelessness issues annually.

H.B. 1278 amends current law relating to public hearings on homelessness issues held by the Texas Interagency Council for the Homeless.

### **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 2306.907(a), Government Code, as follows:

(a) Requires the Texas Interagency Council for the Homeless to annually hold public hearings on homelessness issues in at least one county located in a rural area of this state and one county located in an urban area of this state. Deletes existing text authorizing the council to hold, throughout the state, public hearings on homelessness issues.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2021.