

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, statute requires that a metropolitan area consist of more than 250,000 residents in order to be approved as a media production zone. Local leaders have raised concerns regarding the eligibility and population requirements for recognition of an area as a media production development zone.

H.B. 4051 addresses these concerns by removing the required population bracket concerning media production zones.

H.B. 4051 amends current law relating to the criteria for media production development zone recognition.

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 485A.101, Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 485A.101. CRITERIA FOR MEDIA PRODUCTION DEVELOPMENT ZONE RECOGNITION. Provides that an area, to be approved as a media production development zone:

(1) is required to be in a metropolitan statistical area, the principal municipality of which has the adequate workforce, infrastructure, facilities, or resources to support the production and completion of moving image projects; and

(2)-(3) makes no changes to these subdivisions.

Deletes existing text providing that to be approved as a media production development zone, an area is required to be in a metropolitan statistical area, the principal municipality of which has a population of more than 250,000. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Makes application of the Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2023.