BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 824 amends current law relating to the authority of certain municipalities to change the date of the general election for officers.

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 41.0052, Election Code, by adding Subsection (a-1) and amending Subsection (c), as follows:

(a-1) Authorizes the governing body of a city that is intersected by State Highway 195 and Interstate Highway 14 and that holds its general election for officers on a uniform election date in May, not later than December 31, 2024, to change the date on which it holds its general election for officers to the uniform election date in November. Provides that this subsection expires January 1, 2025.

(c) Authorizes a home-rule city to implement a change authorized by this section, rather than Subsection (a) (relating to authorizing the governing body of a political subdivision, other than a county or municipal utility district, that holds its general election for officers on a date other than the November uniform election date to change the date on which it holds its general election for officers to the November uniform election date) or provide for the same election of all members of the governing body at the same election through the adoption of a resolution. Makes a nonsubstantive change.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2023.