Chapter 1154

S.B. No. 631

AN ACT relating to the authority of certain contiguous municipalities to agree to extend municipal court jurisdiction.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Article 4.14(f), Code of Criminal Procedure, is amended to read as follows:

(f) A municipality with a population of 1.19 [1-9] million or more and another municipality contiguous to that municipality may enter into an agreement providing concurrent jurisdiction for the municipal courts of either jurisdiction for all criminal cases arising from offenses under state law that are:

(1) committed on the boundary of those municipalities or within 200 yards of that boundary; and

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SECTION 2. Section 29.003(h), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

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SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.
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President of the Senate
Speaker of the House
I hereby certify that S.B. No. 631 passed the Senate on March 30, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 28, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 631 passed the House, with amendment, on May 22, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

6-13-2015

Date

Greg Abbott
Governor
TO: Honorable Dan Patrick, Lieutenant Governor, Senate

FROM: Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: SB631 by Campbell (Relating to the authority of certain contiguous municipalities to agree to extend municipal court jurisdiction.), As Passed 2nd House

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would amend the Government Code to authorize certain contiguous municipalities to extend municipal court jurisdiction and to enter into a concurrent jurisdiction agreement.

Local Government Impact

Because the bill would not have statewide impact on units of local government of the same type or class, no comment from this office is required by the rules of the House/Senate as to its probable fiscal implication on units of local government.

Source Agencies: 212 Office of Court Administration, Texas Judicial Council

LBB Staff: UP, KV, SD, EK, AG
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TO: Honorable Joan Huffman, Chair, Senate Committee on State Affairs

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