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Synopsis of House Committee Amendments

(This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the House Floor.)

S.B. 44 of the 135th General Assembly

House State and Local Government

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The committee made the following changes to the Senate-passed version of the bill:

County engineer

- Allows a board of county commissioners, when the office of county engineer is vacant, to contract with another county's county engineer to perform the duties of county engineer in that county, and gives the county engineer supplemental compensation for doing so.
- Prohibits a county engineer from engaging in the private practice of engineering or surveying in a county in which the person is the county engineer or acting county engineer.
- Eliminates the compensation schedule applicable to county engineers with a private practice, and instead subjects all county engineers to the compensation schedule currently applicable to county engineers without a private practice.

County creation of additional port authority

- Regarding the current prohibition against a political subdivision being included in more than one port authority, creates a new exemption that allows a county that is included in an existing port authority to create a new port authority, provided both of the following apply:
 - The existing port authority has an area of jurisdiction that includes more than one county; and
 - The county creating the port authority within its jurisdiction has a population of 100,000 or less.
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Direct transfer of properties subject to tax foreclosure

- Imposes new requirements on the direct transfer of abandoned, tax-foreclosed property to a land bank or political subdivision without a foreclosure sale.