

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

HB 577

2015 Regular Session

Jackson

June 10, 2015

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 577 by Representative Jackson, recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator White and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, be rejected.
2. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator Thompson and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, be rejected.
3. That the set of Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator Cortez and adopted by the Senate on June 8, 2015, be adopted.
4. That the following amendment to the reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, after line 3, insert the following:

"Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall be given prospective application only and shall not apply to any litigation pending on the effective date of this Act."

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Katrina Jackson

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Senator Yvonne Dorsey-Colomb

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Representative Austin Badon

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Senator Francis Thompson

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Representative Chuck Kleckley

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Senator Patrick Page Cortez

DIGEST

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**Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House**

MUNICIPAL: Provides relative to extension or contraction of corporate limits of municipalities by means of petition and ordinance

**Report adopts Senate amendments to:**

1. Delete an exception to proposed law that authorizes a municipality that does not own the land subject to a municipal annexation to challenge or otherwise seek to invalidate an ordinance to enlarge the boundaries if the area to be annexed meets certain conditions.

**Report amends the bill to:**

1. Adds requirement that proposed law be given prospective application only.

**Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee**

Present law provides relative to annexation by municipalities. Authorizes the governing body of any municipality other than the city of New Orleans to, by ordinance, enlarge the boundaries of the municipality to include territory within which all of the land is owned by a state agency, political subdivision, or public body. Provides that such annexation requires petition of the governing body of the agency, political subdivision, or public body owning the land which is to be so included. Proposed law retains present law and specifies that only the state agency, political subdivision, or public body that owns the land subject to such a municipal annexation may challenge or otherwise seek to invalidate an ordinance to enlarge the boundaries of the municipality. Also requires that proposed law be given prospective application only.

(Adds R.S. 33:180(D))