

# SUPPORT

## HB 4285

*protecting landowners & property rights*



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LimitsCoalition**  
A Voice for Every Landowner

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**HB 4285 by Rep. Glenn Rogers** continues to allow a city to establish regulations that apply to property outside the city limits. However, it prohibits the city's enforcement of those regulations until the city annexes that property, giving those property owners rights to vote in city elections.

RESIDENTS OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS **CANNOT VOTE IN CITY ELECTIONS**  
YET ARE **SUBJECT TO CITY REGULATIONS.**

### This bill **DOES**:



- Protects property owners from regulation without representation
- Prohibits a city from enforcing harmful regulations on property BEFORE that property is annexed by the city
- Allows a city to maintain its regulatory authority on newly annexed areas, once and if annexation is fully approved via a local election process

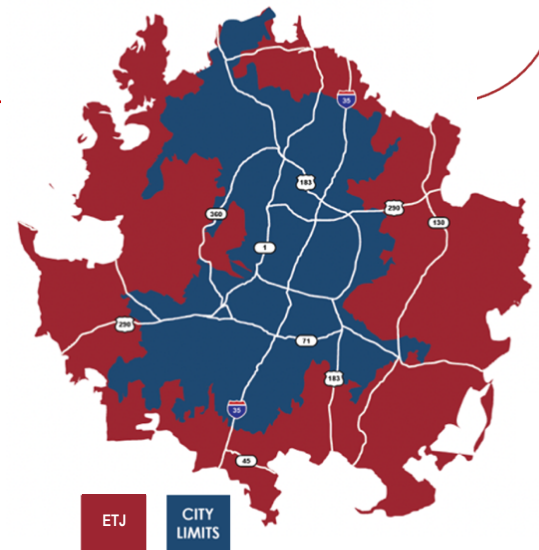
### This bill **DOES NOT**:



- Does NOT abolish a city's ETJ
- Does NOT prohibit a city from regulating property in its ETJ
- Does NOT force a city to allow ETJ residents to vote in city elections

At right : a small sample of cities who's ETJ has grown to be **LARGER THAN THE CITY** itself.

City	City Limits in Sq/Miles	ETJ in Sq/Miles	ETJ Size Compared to City
Weatherford	29.26	176.8	604%
Georgetown	60.9	120.8	198%
Houston	637.4	1170	184%
Cleburne	36.1	100	277%
Austin	305.1	407	133%



Stats: 2022 Blue Raster Mapping Services - City of Austin



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