

SUPPORT

SB 1545

protecting landowners & property rights

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LimitsCoalition**
A Voice for Every Landowner

SB 1545 by Senator Paul Bettencourt prohibits a city from regulating an area **OUTSIDE** the city limits if the area is larger than half the size of the area **INSIDE** the city limits.

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

This bill DOES:



- Protects property owners outside the city limits from excessive city regulation
- Corrects the inequity of any city's authority to regulate a land area more than 150% the size of the city itself

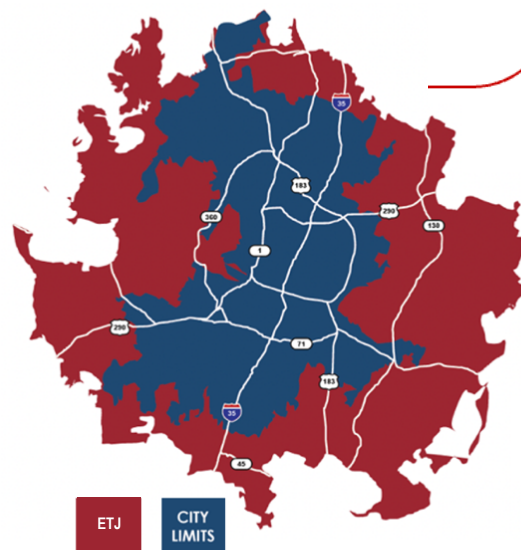
This bill DOES NOT:



- 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

City	City Limits in Sq/Miles	ETJ in Sq/Miles	ETJ Size Compared to City
Forney	15.5	13	84%
Cleburne	36.1	100	277%
Houston	637.4	1170	184%
Georgetown	60.9	120.8	198%
Austin	305.1	407.00	133%

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



Stats: 2022 Blue Raster Mapping Services - City of Austin



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