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SUMMARY

- Authorizes a board of county commissioners, on its own behalf, to award a franchise for the operation of a public transit system.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Public transit system franchise

The bill authorizes a board of county commissioners, on its own behalf, to award a franchise for the operation of a public transit system. Under current law, a board of county commissioners may only do so on behalf of a county transit board. The award of a franchise to an applicant is subject to such terms and conditions as the board of county commissioners considers appropriate and consistent with applicable laws.

Under continuing law, “franchise,” means:

The document and all accompanying rights approved by the board of county commissioners that provides the franchisee with the exclusive right to establish a public transit system and, subject to certification, the right to operate a public transit system. A franchise may include the right of a franchisee to provide transportation services for a county department of job and family services.¹

¹ R.C. 306.04.

HISTORY

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