

HB 2326 -- COOPERATIVE MUNICIPAL POLICIES

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Currently, municipalities are prohibited from enacting or adopting sanctuary policies. Any municipality that does is ineligible for any grants administered by any state agency until the repeal of the policy.

This bill repeals this prohibition, replacing it with a requirement that municipalities adopt policies that promote voluntary cooperation with Federal and state immigration authorities.

Municipal officials will receive written guidance on state and Federal immigration enforcement responsibilities.

The bill specifies that municipalities that have policies consistent with Federal law are eligible for voluntary state funding or other programs to enhance public safety.

The state can provide written notice to any municipality believed to have a policy inconsistent with the provisions of this bill, and can be provided a reasonable amount of time to address any concerns before funding is restricted.

The bill grants municipalities the right to appeal or otherwise demonstrate compliance or public safety considerations before any funding changes are made.