BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

S.B. 7 By: Harris Administration 4/19/2004 As Filed

DIGEST AND PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 7 establishes a County Park Beautification and Improvement Program, and provides for its implementation, administration, and funding for the purpose of encouraging counties to beautify and improve county parks.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subtitle B, Title 10, Local Government Code, by adding Chapter 328 as follows:

CHAPTER 328. COUNTY PARK BEAUTIFICATION AND IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Sec. 328.001. PURPOSE AND CREATION. Sets forth legislative intent regarding the establishment of a County Park Beautification and Improvement Program (program).

Sec. 328.002. IMPLEMENTATION. Sets forth provisions regarding implementation of the program.

Sec. 328.003. REPORT AND ADOPTION. Requires the program coordinator to submit a report to the commissioners court (court) regarding findings and an implementation strategy for the program, including certain conditions. Authorizes the court, upon adoption of the strategy, to fund the program as provided in Section 328.004.

Sec. 328.004. FUNDING. Authorizes the commissioners court to solicit and accept funding from a variety of sources, but prohibits it from levying any tax or receiving any legislative appropriation to fund participation in the program.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or the 91st day after the end of the legislative session.