BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, state law requires persons weighing cargo to keep a written record of the vehicles weighed for 180 days. The number of vehicles weight enforcement officers routinely weigh, makes keeping a weight record on every vehicle weighed time consuming and costly. C.S.H.B. 1733 exempts a vehicle that transports solid waste, is weighed by a weight enforcement officer, is weighed on scales owned by the state, or a political subdivision thereof, or is weighed on scales owned by an enterprise principally engaged in the retail sale of motor fuels to the general public, from the responsibility of having to maintain a written weight record.

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 Section 621.410(e), Transportation Code, to establish that this section does not apply to a vehicle that transports material regulated under Section 623.161 (Definition), is weighed by a weight enforcement officer, or is weighed on scales owned by the state or a political subdivision thereof, or is weighed on scales owned by an enterprise principally engaged in the retail sale of motor fuels to the general public..

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.