BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, Texas law prohibits removing an evicted tenant's property from a rental unit in rain, sleet, or snow. This is necessary to protect a tenant's personal property from the elements, but can cause scheduling problems. As proposed, S.B. 580 specifies that an officer may remove a tenant's personal property from the rental unit during inclement weather if the services of a bonded or insured warehouseman are used to transport and store the property.

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 Sections 24.0061(d) and (e), Property Code, as follows:

- (d) Makes a conforming change in accordance with Subsection (e).
- (e) Authorizes a police officer to remove a tenant's personal property from a rental unit during inclement weather if the officer chooses to use the services of a bonded or insured warehouseman.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.

Makes application of this Act prospective.