BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 586 By: Gonzalez Toureilles Law Enforcement Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current law allows some defendants in traffic offenses to take a driving safety course rather than face other penalties.

HB 586 would prohibit a defendant guilty of driving at speeds higher than 95 miles per hour from taking a driving safety class to discharge the ticket.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 45.0511(b), Code of Criminal Procedure to adds "speeding at a speed of 95 miles per hour or more" to subsection (5), exceptions to defendants eligible to take a driving safety course.

SECTION 2. Transition clause continues current laws for offense occurring prior to the effective date of the bill.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2007.