

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 587  
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Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Under current law, the record of the court is noted as the "minutes" and the record of criminal actions is noted as the "docket." House Bill 587 amends the current terminology used in this section to accurately define the recording of certain information by the clerk of a court. It replaces "minutes" with "record" and "docket" with "record" in order to account for advances in technology.

### **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**

House Bill 587 amends Article 20.22, Code of Criminal Procedure, by changing the word "minutes" to "record," and amends Article 33.07, Code of Criminal Procedure, by changing the word "docket" to "record." In addition, the heading for Article 33.07, Code of Criminal Procedure, is changed from "Criminal Docket" to "Record of Criminal Actions." H.B. 587 also updates the language to Section 12.014(c), Property Code, on how a clerk records the transfer of judgment.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2007.