BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 953 By: Farabee Juvenile Justice & Family Issues Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

During the 74th legislature, Sections 124.2493 through 152.2495 of the Texas Human Resource Code, were repealed in order to eliminate the Wichita County Family Court Services. As written, Section 152.2492 (b), relating to the appointment of the superintendent of facilities, has a clause requiring the family court services administrator to appoint the superintendent of each juvenile detention facility in Wichita County.

H.B.953 seeks to amend the existing statute by removing its reference to the Wichita County Family Court Services, while adding a provision granting the chief justice probation officer the authority to appoint the superintendent of each facility.

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 152.2492 (b), Human Resources Code, to require a chief juvenile probation officer to appoint the superintendent of each juvenile detention facility in Wichita County.
- **SECTION 2.** Upon passage, or, if the Act does not receive the necessary vote, the Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2007.