BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 182 By: Wentworth Culture, Recreation, & Tourism Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current law provides for an offense of trespass when a person enters or remains on or in the property, including an aircraft or other vehicle, of another person without effective consent. This law does not include a recreational vehicle park as such property subject to trespass.

As proposed, S.B. 182 amends current trespass law to include a recreational vehicle park as property on which a person commits an offense if the person enters or remains on or in such property of another without effective consent.

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 30.05(a), Penal Code, to include a recreational vehicle park as property on which a person commits an offense if the person enters or remains on or in such property of another without effective consent, in addition to an aircraft or other vehicle. Makes nonsubstantive changes by making the Section gender neutral.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 30.05(b), Penal Code, by adding Subdivision (8), to define "recreational vehicle park."

SECTION 3. Makes application of this Act prospective and states that the change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense is committed before the effective date if any element of the offense occurs before the effective date and is governed by the law in effect at the time of the offense.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 2007.

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