## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center

S.B. 397 By: Harris Jurisprudence 6/25/2007 Enrolled

## **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Current law authorizes municipal judges, retired municipal judges, and municipal court clerks to administer oaths and provide a certificate of the fact only in matters pertaining to a duty of the court.

S.B. 397 authorizes municipal judges, retired judges, and clerks to administer oaths and provide a certificate of the fact and removes the limitation applying the authority only to matters pertaining to a duty of the court.

## **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to any state officer, institution, or agency.

## **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 602.002, Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 602.002. OATH MADE IN TEXAS. Deletes existing text authorizing a judge, retired judge, or clerk of a municipal court to administer an oath and give a certificate of the fact in a matter pertaining to a duty of the court.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.