

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

S.B. 503  
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Law Enforcement  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Current law does not require law enforcement agencies to account for the law enforcement officer standards and education funds that they have been allotted.

S.B. 503 requires law enforcement agencies to detail their expenditure of law enforcement standards and education funds allotted in the prior year in order to qualify for such funding in subsequent years.

### **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 Sections 1701.157(a) and (b), Occupations Code, as follows:

(a) Reallocates money allocated by the comptroller of public accounts (comptroller) for expenses related to the continuing education of persons licensed under this chapter to local law enforcement agencies that are eligible under Subsection (b), rather than all local law enforcement agencies in this state.

(b) Requires a local law enforcement agency to report to the comptroller not later than November 1 of the preceding calendar year certain information to be eligible for an allocation of money under Subsection (a). Sets forth the required content of that report.

SECTION 2. Provides that the changes in law made by this Act to Section 1701.157, Occupations Code, apply to allocations made on or after January 1, 2009. Current law is continued for allocations prior to that date.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2007.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2007