BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1498 By: Zaffirini County Affairs Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

S.B. 1498 authorizes Webb County to create a county civil service system for its employees. The county requested this legislation.

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 158.001(3), Local Government Code, to redefine "department."

SECTION 2. Amends Section 158.002, Local Government Code, to decrease to 190,000 or more, rather than 200,000 or more, the required population of a county that is authorized to create a county civil service system to include certain employees of the county.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 158.0025(a), Local Government Code, to make a conforming change.

SECTION 4. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Upon passage, or, if the Act does not receive the necessary vote, the Act takes effect September 1, 2007.