BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1622 By: Watson Criminal Jurisprudence Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current law suggests that an agency that processes a warrant or capias but does not execute it may collect the associated fee. However, the language is vague.

As proposed, S.B. 1622 clarifies that a law enforcement agency that processes a warrant or capias without actually executing it is entitled to collect the warrant fee.

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

S.B. 1622 amends Article 102.011(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, to require a defendant convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor to pay certain fees for services performed in the case by a peace officer, including \$50 for the law enforcement agency that processed the arrest warrant or capias if the warrant or capias was not executed.

Makes application of this Act prospective.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2007.