BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 2018 By: Deuell Judiciary Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The commissioners court of Hunt County has determined that it is in the best interest of the county to create an additional county court at law in order to address the backlog of cases in the county.

The bill re-designates the County Court at Law of Hunt County as County Court at Law Number One of Hunt County and creates the County Court at Law Number Two of Hunt County.

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 25.1181, Government Code, to provide that Hunt County has two, rather than one, statutory county courts: the County Court at Law Number One of Hunt County and the County Court at Law Number Two of Hunt County.

SECTION 2. (1) Redesignates the County Court at Law of Hunt County as the County Court at Law Number One of Hunt County. Provides that the judge of that court, unless otherwise removed as provided by law, serves as the judge of the redesignated court for the remainder of the term to which the judge was elected.

(2) Creates the County Court at Law Number Two of Hunt County.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2007.