## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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

All assaultive offenses other than intoxication assault currently qualify law enforcement officers for injury leave.

S.B. 687 amends current law relating to injury leave and related benefits for certain state peace officers injured in the course of performance of duty.

## **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

## **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 661.918(b), Government Code, as follows:

(b) Entitles a peace officer to whom this section applies to injury leave, without a deduction in salary, without being required to use compensatory time off accrued under Chapter 659 (Compensation), and without being required to use any other type of leave allowable under this chapter, for an injury sustained due to the nature of the officer's duties and that occurs during the course of the officer's performance of duty, except an officer is not entitled to injury leave under this subsection if the officer's own gross negligence contributed to the officer's injury or the injury was related to the performance of routine office duties. Deletes existing text entitling a peace officer to whom this section applies to injury leave, without a deduction in salary, without being required to use compensatory time off accrued under Chapter 659, and without being required to use any other type of leave allowable under this chapter, for an injury resulting from an assaultive offense under Chapter 22 (Assaultive Offenses), Penal Code, to which the person is exposed because of the nature of the person's duties and that occurs during the course of the person's performance of duty and that provides that for the purposes of this section, the course of performance of a person's duty does not include transportation to or from the person's designated headquarters or the site of an assignment.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective to January 1, 2009.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2009.