

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1503
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Elections
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties argue that a person appointed to act as a special peace officer for a polling place should be a licensed peace officer. H.B. 1503 seeks to address this issue.

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

H.B. 1503 amends the Election Code to condition a person's eligibility for appointment as a special peace officer for a polling place on the person being licensed as a peace officer by the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2011.