

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3442
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, counties over two million in population are authorized to appoint magistrates to hear truancy cases. H.B. 3442 seeks to allow these magistrates, along with justice and municipal courts that exercise jurisdiction over a juvenile, to have access to the state juvenile justice information system.

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. 3442 amends the Family Code to include among the exceptions to the prohibition against the Department of Public Safety disseminating information contained in the juvenile justice information system the dissemination of such information to a county, justice, or municipal court exercising jurisdiction over a juvenile transferred to the court by a juvenile court for disposition in a truancy proceeding.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2011.