BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3858 By: Thompson Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Statutory county criminal courts in Harris County have the criminal jurisdiction provided by law for county courts and appellate jurisdiction in certain appeals from the justice and municipal courts within the county. H.B. 3858 expands the jurisdiction of county criminal courts at law in Harris County regarding certain civil cases.

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. 3858 amends the Government Code to give a county criminal court at law in Harris County concurrent jurisdiction with county civil courts at law for Harris County to hear appeals of the suspension of driver's licenses and original proceedings regarding occupational driver's licenses.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2011.

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