

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1133  
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Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties note that, with an upcoming Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (BRAC) study, the responsibility of the Texas Military Preparedness Commission to assist Texas' many military installations in meeting economic challenges is more important than ever. These parties recognize a need to maximize the commission's efficiency in providing such assistance to military installations. H.B. 1133 seeks to strengthen the commission's administrative model to allow the commission to have a more direct impact on and access to the Texas Military Department for the purpose of providing such assistance.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **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. 1133 amends the Government Code to include the adjutant general among the ex officio members of the Texas Military Preparedness Commission. The bill specifies that the ex officio member who is the adjutant general vacates the person's position on the commission if the person ceases to hold the position that qualifies the person for service on the commission. The bill authorizes the ex officio member who is the adjutant general to designate a representative to serve on the commission in the member's absence. The bill requires the designated representative to be an officer or employee of the state agency the ex officio member serves. The bill specifies that the entitlement of the ex officio member who is the adjutant general to compensation or to reimbursement for travel expenses incurred while transacting commission business is governed by the law that applies to the member's service in that underlying position and requires any payment to the member for either purpose to be made from money that may be used for the purpose and is available to the state agency that the member serves in that underlying position.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2015.