BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2193 By: Smithee Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that a statutory provision relating to the public defender in Randall County was not repealed when applicable statewide provisions were enacted. H.B. 2193 seeks to address this issue.

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. 2193 repeals Article 26.053, Code of Criminal Procedure, relating to the appointment of an attorney to serve as a public defender in Randall County and to the operation of that office.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2015.

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