

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 2419  
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Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Certain interested parties occasionally propose updates to the law regarding estates that are designed, among other things, to keep the Estates Code in line with developments in case law and other substantive areas of law, streamline and simplify estates-related issues, clarify ambiguities, and correct technical deficiencies. H.B. 2419 seeks to clarify and update the Estates Code.

### **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. 2419 amends the Estates Code to establish that the Estates Code and the Texas Probate Code, as amended, are to be considered one continuous statute, and for the purposes of any instrument that refers to the Texas Probate Code, requires the Estates Code to be considered an amendment to the Texas Probate Code.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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