BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2900 By: Goldman Elections Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties point out that Texas election law needs to be updated to reflect federal election law changes. H.B. 2900 seeks to make these changes.

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. 2900 amends an Election Code provision establishing the conditions under which a voting system may be used in an election to change the condition that the system comply with error rate standards of the voting system standards adopted by the Federal Election Commission to the condition that the system comply with the voting system standards adopted by the Election Assistance Commission.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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