## **BILL ANALYSIS**

C.S.H.B. 2999
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Committee Report (Substituted)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Concerns have been raised over enforcement by certain property owners' associations of dedicatory instrument provisions restricting firearm possession, use, and storage. Interested parties recognize the need to protect the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens, and C.S.H.B. 2999 seeks to provide that protection.

#### **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**

C.S.H.B. 2999 amends the Property Code to prohibit a property owners' association from including or enforcing a provision in a dedicatory instrument that prohibits, restricts, or has the effect of prohibiting or restricting any person who is otherwise authorized from lawfully possessing, transporting, or storing a firearm, any part of a firearm, or firearm ammunition or from lawfully discharging a firearm.

# **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2015.

## **COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE**

C.S.H.B. 2999 differs from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways by conforming to certain bill drafting conventions.

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