BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3796 By: Allen Transportation Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that some eligible users of transportation services for persons who are unable to ride a fixed route bus service due to a permanent or temporary disability are unaware of their ability to use another provider's service. H.B. 3796 seeks to remedy this situation.

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. 3796 amends the Transportation Code to require a public transportation provider that provides public transportation services designed for people with disabilities who are unable to use the provider's bus or rail services to notify individuals who reside in the provider's service area and are eligible to use the provider's services that the individuals are entitled to use another provider's service for not more than 21 days without an additional application.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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