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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| H.B. 2018 |
| By: Anderson, Rodney |
| Licensing & Administrative Procedures |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE** Interested parties suggest that certain information need not be obtained by a notary public. In addition, the parties are concerned that certain information found in the possession of a notary public should be protected from disclosure. H.B. 2018 seeks to address these issues by reforming the law regarding notaries public.  |
| **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. 2018 amends the Government Code to replace references to a residence or alleged residence, as applicable, in the required records of a notary public with references to an address. The bill limits a notary public's duty to provide a certified copy of any such record on request to any record of official acts and changes the origin of such a record from the notary public's office to the notary public's book of record. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE** September 1, 2017. |