BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 790 By: Lozano Criminal Jurisprudence Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties assert that there is some unnecessary ambiguity and redundancy regarding what type of object qualifies as a prohibited dagger. H.B. 790 seeks to remove this ambiguity and redundancy.

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. 790 amends the Penal Code to remove a dagger from the objects considered to be an illegal knife for purposes of weapons-related offenses.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.

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