BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2027 By: Goldman Licensing & Administrative Procedures Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that requirements regarding the sale or transfer of secondhand watches are burdensome and unnecessary. The parties further note that the penalties for a violation of those requirements are too severe. H.B. 2027 seeks to address these issues by repealing provisions relating to the regulation of the sale or transfer of secondhand watches.

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. 2027 repeals Subchapter C, Chapter 17, Business & Commerce Code, relating to the regulation of the sale or transfer of secondhand watches, and specifies that a criminal action for an offense under those provisions that is pending on the bill's effective date is dismissed on that date.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2017.

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