

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2850
By: Springer
Pensions
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties observe that over the course of several decades the Texas Legislative Council has carried out the council's mandate of revising, digesting, and publishing the state's civil and criminal laws by codifying the vast majority of statutes contained in Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes. The parties note that some uncodified statutes remain in Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, many of which are now obsolete. H.B. 2850 seeks to repeal certain obsolete statutes governing state pensions and other similar benefits.

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. 2850 repeals certain obsolete laws governing state pensions and other benefits relating to part of the enabling legislation for state pensions for Confederate veterans and their surviving spouses, an authorization of a state pension for veterans of the Texas Revolution and their surviving spouses, an authorization of a state pension for certain Texas Rangers who served before September 1, 1947, and their surviving spouses, and transitional funding mechanisms and appropriations for the original Texas Old Age Assistance Fund.

H.B. 2850 repeals the following provisions:

- Articles 6205, 6208, 6209, 6210, 6211, 6212, 6213, 6214, 6215, 6217, 6218, 6220, 6221, 6222, 6223, 6224, 6225, 6226, and 6227, Revised Statutes
- Chapter 557 (S.B. 433), Acts of the 51st Legislature, Regular Session, 1949 (Article 6227a, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes)
- Chapter 283 (S.B. 53), Acts of the 56th Legislature, Regular Session, 1959 (Article 6228e, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes)
- Section 1, Article 1, Chapter 495 (H.B. 8), Acts of the 44th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, 1936 (Article 6243-2, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes)
- Chapter 479 (S.B. 8), Acts of the 44th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, 1936 (Article 6243-22, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes)
- Chapter 496 (H.B. 37), Acts of the 44th Legislature, 3rd Called Session, 1936 (Article 6243-23, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes)

- Chapter 1 (H.B. 179), page 536, General Laws, Acts of the 46th Legislature, Regular Session, 1939 (Article 6243-24, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes)

EFFECTIVE DATE

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