BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 528 By: Birdwell State Affairs Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties express confusion regarding the expiration date of the two-year term served by the chief administrative law judge of the State Office of Administrative Hearings. S.B. 528 seeks to bring predictability and stability to the office by specifying the expiration date of that term.

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

S.B. 528 amends the Government Code to set the two-year term served by the chief administrative law judge of the State Office of Administrative Hearings to expire on May 15 of each even-numbered year.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.