BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 720 By: Perry Culture, Recreation & Tourism Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that the Parks and Wildlife Commission needs flexibility to be able to modify or eliminate certain carcass, final destination, and final processing requirements and provisions to better respond to and mitigate disease risk. S.B. 720 seeks to provide this flexibility by expanding the commission's rulemaking authority.

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. 720 amends the Parks and Wildlife Code to expand the Parks and Wildlife Commission's rulemaking authority to modify or eliminate tagging requirements under general hunting license provisions to include the modification or elimination of carcass, final destination, and final processing requirements under such provisions and the modification or elimination of related provisions.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.

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