**BILL ANALYSIS**

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**AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

It has been noted that if a commissioners court does not set the fees for services by the offices of the sheriff and constables in a given year, the fees default to the rates that were in effect on a date several decades ago. H.B. 145 seeks to update the law so that the fees will instead default to the rates set on a more recent date.

H.B. 145 amends current law relating to fees for services by the offices of the sheriff and constables.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

**SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 118.131(h), Local Government Code, to provide that the fees for services by the offices of the sheriff and constables, if the commissioners court does not set fees under this section (Fees Set by Commissioners Court), are those fees provided by law in effect for the preceding fiscal year, rather than in effect on August 31, 1981.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2019.