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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| H.B. 687 |
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| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE** It has been noted with concern that the recreational use statute does not include injuries caused during rock climbing as a recreational activity for which a landowner has limited liability. H.B. 687 seeks to limit such liability by including rock climbing as an activity covered by the recreational use statute. |
| **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. 687 amends the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to include rock climbing among the activities classified as recreation for purposes of the limitation of a landowner's liability under the recreational use statute.  |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE** On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019. |