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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| H.B. 3753 |
| By: Harless |
| County Affairs |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**  It has been suggested that recent disasters around Texas have shown a need to provide additional training to first responders so that they are adequately prepared for a myriad of disasters. H.B. 3753 seeks to help address this issue by including first responders in fire-related training programs provided by a county fire marshal. |
| **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. 3753 amends the Local Government Code, with respect to a provision authorizing a county commissioners court to authorize the county fire marshal to provide training programs and operate a training facility, to specify that such training programs relate to fire-fighting and fire prevention and to change the entities for whom the fire marshal provides such programs and operates such a facility from the various fire-fighting and fire prevention units in the county to first responders in the county. The bill defines "first responder" by reference. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE**  On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019. |