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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| S.B. 1642 |
| By: Miles |
| Ways & Means |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**  There are concerns about reported instances in which property owners have sold their right of redemption to a person with easy access to capital attempting to acquire the property at a reduced price, contrary to the intention of the right of redemption. S.B. 1642 seeks to clarify that an owner of real property sold at a tax sale may not transfer the owner's right of redemption to another person. |
| **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. 1642 amends the Tax Code to prohibit an owner of real property who is entitled to redeem the property after it is sold at a tax sale from transferring the owner's right of redemption to another person. The bill makes void any instrument purporting to transfer the owner's right of redemption. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE**  On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019. |