BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1031 By: Deshotel Licensing & Administrative Procedures Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been noted that, although some counties have the authority to regulate game rooms, Jefferson County currently does not have that authority. H.B. 1031 seeks to increase the number of counties authorized to regulate game rooms.

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. 1031 amends the Local Government Code to expand the applicability of statutory provisions relating to the regulation of game rooms in certain counties to include a county that is located on Texas' border with Louisiana and is adjacent to the Gulf of Mexico.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.

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