

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 2530  
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Defense & Veterans' Affairs  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

There are concerns that military families have to navigate many different agencies to find information that pertains to their needs when relocating to Texas. H.B. 2530 seeks to address these concerns by providing for the development of an online repository for information of use to active duty military members and their families relocating to Texas.

### **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. 2530 amends the Government Code to require the Texas Veterans Commission to develop and maintain on the state electronic Internet portal project an online repository of information of use to active duty members of the U.S. armed forces and their families relocating to Texas. The bill requires the repository to include information on assistance, fee waivers, and programs the state provides to active duty members of the U.S. armed forces and their families related to occupational and professional licenses, education, and health care. The bill requires a link to the repository to be prominently displayed on the public home page of the state electronic Internet portal project.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2019.