

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2888
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County Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Concerns have been raised about the potentially burdensome nature of signature requirements for a petition for a place on the ballot as a candidate for board director of certain special districts located in a county with a small population. H.B. 2888 seeks to address these concerns by waiving the applicable signature requirement for these petitions filed by a person requesting to have the person's name printed on the ballot as a candidate for the board of directors of the Wilbarger County Hospital District.

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. 2888 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to remove the requirement that a petition filed by a person requesting to have the person's name printed on the ballot as a candidate for the board of directors of the Wilbarger County Hospital District be signed by at least 100 registered voters.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.