

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 4417
By: Middleton
County Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Concerns have been raised regarding the inability of smaller counties to adopt and enforce uniform rules on the hours of work of certain county employees, which sometimes results in unpredictable time frames for county services. H.B. 4417 seeks to address these concerns by authorizing the commissioners court of any county to adopt and enforce such rules.

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. 4417 amends the Local Government Code to remove the population threshold from the authorization for a county commissioners court to adopt and enforce uniform rules on the hours of work of department heads, assistants, deputies, and other employees whose compensation is set or approved by the court.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.