BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Texas contains vast climbing resources that are difficult to access under current law because of liability concerns on the part of landowners. The Civil Practice and Remedies Code protects landowners from liability for injuries incurred during certain recreational activities.

This refiled (S.B. 658) bill amends this code to add "rock climbing" alongside hunting, fishing, hiking and other activities as a defined recreational activity. (Original Author's/Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

S.B. 230 amends current law relating to a landowner's liability for injuries incurred during certain recreational activities.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 75.001(3), Civil Practice and Remedies Code, to include rock climbing in the definition of "recreation."

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2019.