

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 636
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Transportation
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been reported that some police officers in certain cities are unable to enforce commercial motor vehicle safety standards, which complicates local efforts to maintain roadways in those cities. S.B. 636 seeks to address this issue by including officers of certain police departments among the police officers eligible to apply for certification to enforce commercial motor vehicle safety standards.

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

S.B. 636 amends the Transportation Code to make a police officer of a municipality with a population of less than 75,000 that is located in three counties, at least one of which has a population greater than 3.3 million, eligible to apply for certification to enforce commercial motor vehicle safety standards.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.