# **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 2450 By: Vasut Culture, Recreation & Tourism Committee Report (Unamended)

## BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that the process for obtaining a title for an outboard motor is costly, time-consuming, and difficult. Older, antique motors are attractive to those less able to buy new, higher cost motors but still require titling under this onerous process. H.B. 2450 seeks to make it easier for Texans to use these antique motors legally for recreational purposes and encourage their preservation by exempting certain antique outboard motors from certificate of title requirements.

## **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. 2450 amends the Parks and Wildlife Code to exempt an antique outboard motor that is at least 40 years of age with a capacity of not more than 25 horsepower from certificate of title requirements for outboard motors.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2021.