## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center 87R8144 MWC-D S.B. 2187 By: Nichols Transportation 4/6/2021 As Filed

## **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

The bill amends the Government Code relating to passenger transportation on state aircraft. The bill allows the Texas Department of Transportation to provide aircraft transportation if the time required to use a commercial carrier interferes with passenger obligations or a representative of the Texas Department of Public Safety determines that security concerns for a passenger warrant the use of a state aircraft.

As proposed, S.B. 2187 amends current law relating to passenger transportation on state aircraft.

## **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 2205.036(c), Government Code, as follows:

- (c) Prohibits the Texas Department of Transportation from providing aircraft transportation to a destination unless:
  - (1) and (2) makes no changes to these subdivisions;
  - (3) the time required to use a commercial carrier interferes with passenger obligations;
  - (4) a representative of the Texas Department of Public Safety determines that security concerns for a passenger warrant the use of a state aircraft;
  - (5) creates this subdivision from existing text; or
  - (6) redesignates existing Subdivision (4) as Subdivision (6) and makes no further changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2021.