

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Across the United States there has been an increase in officers killed in the line of duty, as well as those injured on the job. In Texas, there have been several cases of officers being ambushed in their patrol vehicles.

S.B. 2222 directs that bullet resistant windshields be provided for all Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas patrol vehicles.

As proposed, S.B. 2222 amends current law relating to requiring rifle resistant windshields for certain Department of Public Safety automobiles.

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 411.014, Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 411.014 BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT. (a) Makes no changes to this subsection (relating to the state's duty to provide certain items to the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas).

- (1) Provides that Texas Highway Patrol has the meaning assigned by Sec. 411.031 (Composition) of the Government Code
- (2) Requires that all patrol vehicles be equipped with rifle resistant windshields.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2021.