BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 4504 By: Moody (Johnson) Administration 5/4/2023 Engrossed

AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 4504 is a revision of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, without alteration or any substantive change. It revises laws governing general duties of officer, venue, change of venue, justice and municipal courts, and expunction of criminal records. The Texas Legislative Council (TLC) provided the draft of H.B. 4504 to numerous stakeholders, including the Office of the Attorney General and associations representing law enforcement, prosecutors, and defense attorneys. TLC reports that, to date, no stakeholders have expressed any reservations regarding the draft. The sole purpose of the provisions of this bill is to compile the relevant law, arrange it in a logical fashion, and rewrite it without altering its meaning or legal effect.

H.B. 4504 amends current law relating to the nonsubstantive revision of certain provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure, including conforming amendments.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

ARTICLE 1. CHANGES RELATED TO THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE

(Pages 1-227 of this bill)

ARTICLE 2. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS

Makes conforming changes to various sections of the Agriculture Code, Alcoholic Beverage Code, Business and Commerce Code, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Code of Criminal Procedure, Education Code, Election Code, Family Code, Government Code, Health and Safety Code, Human Resources Code, Labor Code, Local Government Code, Occupations Code, Penal Code, Parks and Wildlife Code, Transportation Code, and Water Code.

(Pages 227-330 of this bill)

ARTICLE 3. REPEALER

Repeals various portions of the Code of Criminal Procedure and Occupations Code.

(Pages 330-331 of this bill)

ARTICLE 4. GENERAL MATTERS

Section 4.003. Effective date: January 1, 2025.