

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3686
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Homeland Security, Public Safety & Veterans' Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The bill author has informed the committee that members of the retired law enforcement community have expressed a desire for the identification cards issued to certain honorably retired peace officers or qualified retired law enforcement officers to include the respective officer's position or rank held at the time of retirement. H.B. 3686 seeks to address this issue by requiring such an identification card to include the position or rank held by the officer at the time of the officer's retirement.

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. 3686 amends the Government Code to require the identification card issued to an honorably retired peace officer or a qualified retired law enforcement officer who holds a weapons proficiency certificate under applicable state law to include the position or rank held by the respective officer at the time of the officer's retirement.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2025.