

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1166
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that limitations on the liability of certain electric utilities that allow public use of the utility's property for recreation and certain other purposes should be extended to electric utilities located in a county with a population of 550,000 or more that is adjacent to a county in which such limitations already apply. H.B. 1166 seeks to provide for such extension.

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. 1166 amends the Civil Practice and Remedies Code to extend the applicability of statutory provisions limiting the liability of an electric utility located in a county with a population of four million or more relating to access to and use of the premises of the electric utility for recreation, exercise, relaxation, travel, or pleasure to an electric utility located in a county with a population of 550,000 or more that is adjacent to a county with a population of four million or more.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2017.