

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

C.S.H.B. 4032  
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Committee Report (Substituted)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties contend that the annual maximum reimbursement amount for certain district court reporters engaged in official duties is outdated and needs to be flexible to account for the current expenses associated with fulfilling such a court reporter's duties. C.S.H.B. 4032 seeks to address this issue by authorizing certain district court reporters to be reimbursed for expenses in excess of that amount on approval of the county commissioners court.

### **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**

C.S.H.B. 4032 amends the Government Code to authorize an official or deputy court reporter of a district court in a district composed of more than one county to receive reimbursement for certain expenses incurred while engaged in official duties that exceed the annual maximum reimbursement amount set for the court reporter's judicial district from the county for which the expenses were incurred on approval of the commissioners court of the county.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2017.

### **COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE**

C.S.H.B. 4032 differs from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways by conforming to certain bill drafting conventions.