

SUBJECT: Changing sunset dates for certain state agencies

COMMITTEE: State Affairs — favorable, without amendment

VOTE: 9 ayes — Seidlits, S. Turner, Black, Bosse, Carter, Hilbert, B. Hunter, McCall, Ramsay

0 nays

6 absent — Alvarado, Craddick, Danburg, Hochberg, D. Jones, Wolens

SENATE VOTE: On final passage, May 3 — voice vote

WITNESSES: (*On House companion, HB 3052*):

For — None

Against — None

On — Joe Longley, Texas Sunset Commission

DIGEST: SB 374 would change the sunset dates for the following state agencies from September 1, 1999, to September 1, 1997: Texas Commission on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, Texas Juvenile Probation Commission, Department of Protective and Regulatory Services and Texas Youth Commission.

SB 374 would change the sunset dates for the following state agencies from September 1, 1997, to September 1, 1999: Council on Sex Offender Treatment, Texas Veterans Commission and Veteran's Land Board.

The bill would abolish the Advisory Commission on State Emergency Communications on September 1, 1999, unless reauthorized by the Legislature, and would move the sunset date for the Texas Incentive and Productivity Commission from September 1, 2001, to September 1, 1999.

The bill would take effect September 1, 1995.

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SUPPORTERS SAY: The bill would balance the workload of the Texas Sunset Commission and would permit the commission to examine all the agencies dealing with children and youth at one time.

OPPONENTS SAY: No apparent opposition