BILL ANALYSIS

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S.B. 1676 By: Barrientos Criminal Justice 4-15-97 Committee Report (Amended)

DIGEST

Currently, the Crime Stoppers Advisory Council is composed of five members appointed by the governor. The member's term of office is for two years. This bill increases the membership of the council from five members to six and provides for staggered terms of four years with the terms of one-half of the members expiring on February 1 of each odd-numbered year.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1676 establishes the terms of the members of the Crime Stoppers Advisory Council.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 414.002(b) and (c), Government Code, to provide that the Crime Stoppers Advisory Council (council) consists of seven, rather than five, members appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Requires at least four, rather than three, members to be persons who have participated in a local crime stoppers program. Deletes a provision that the term of office of a member is two years. Provides that members of the council serve staggered terms of four years with the terms of one-half of the members expiring on a certain date.

SECTION 2. Requires the governor to appoint one additional member to the council and adjust the terms of the current members promptly after this Act takes effect. Requires the governor to appoint one person to a term expiring on February 1, 2001. Requires the terms of three members to expire on February 1, 1999, and the terms of two other members to expire on February 1, 2001.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause. Effective date: 90 days after adjournment.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

Amendment 1.

Page 1, line 5, strike "six" and replace with "seven."