BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Most county officers are currently allowed to set and collect a fee of \$15 to \$30 for a returned check, but a county clerk can only charge \$15 to \$25. H.B. 249 authorizes a county clerk to set and collect a fee up to \$30 for a returned check.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 118.011(b), Local Government Code, to authorize a county clerk to set and collect a returned check fee of not less than \$15 or more than \$30, rather than \$25.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.