

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center

C.S.S.B. 322  
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Committee Report (Substituted)

### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Under current law, retired municipal judges are not authorized to administer oaths in Texas. As proposed, C.S.S.B. 322 amends the Government Code to add retired municipal judges to the list of those individuals authorized to administer an oath and give a certificate indicating that an oath has been given.

### **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. Reenacts Section 602.002, Government Code, as amended by Chapters 514 and 986, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, and amends it by amending Subsection (1) and adding Subsection (16), as follows:

- (1) Provides that an oath made in this state may be administered, and a certificate of the fact given, by a retired judge of a municipal court, in addition to certain other individuals.
- (16) Created from existing text.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.

### **SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES**

In SECTION 1 (Sec. 602.002 (1), Government Code) deletes the text “or a retired judge of a municipal court” and inserts “retired judge” before “or clerk of a municipal court.”