

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Currently, amusement parks are largely unregulated entities.

As proposed, S.B. 1181 prohibits the employment at amusement parks of individuals who have been convicted of, entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, or received deferred adjudication for an offense involving prostitution or another sexual offense.

### **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 the heading to Chapter 2151, Occupations Code, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 2151. REGULATION OF AMUSEMENT RIDES AND AMUSEMENT PARKS

SECTION 2. Amends Section 2151.002, Occupations Code, by adding Subdivision (7), to define "amusement park."

SECTION 3. Amends Chapter 2151, Occupations Code, by adding Subchapter E, as follows:

SUBCHAPTER E. AMUSEMENT PARK REGULATION

Sec. 2151.201. PROHIBITED EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONS CONVICTED OF CERTAIN SEXUAL OFFENSES. Prohibits an owner or operator of an amusement park from employing in an amusement park a person who has been convicted of, entered a plea of nolo contendere or guilty to, or received deferred adjudication for an offense involving prostitution or another sexual offense.

SECTION 4. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2009.