

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 115
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Licensing & Administrative Procedures
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties are concerned that the cap on the value of a residential dwelling offered or awarded as a prize at a charitable raffle that is purchased by the organization conducting the raffle or for which the organization provides any consideration significantly limits the amount of money charitable organizations can raise at raffles. H.B. 115 seeks to address this issue by raising the cap on the value of such a residential dwelling.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 115 amends the Occupations Code to raise the cap on the value of a residential dwelling offered or awarded as a prize at a charitable raffle that is purchased by a qualified organization or for which the organization provides any consideration from \$250,000 to \$2 million.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2017.