

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 394
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Culture, Recreation & Tourism
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center has a unique connection with Texas and contend that the center should be designated as the state botanical garden and arboretum to acknowledge the center's contributions to Texas history. C.S.H.B. 394 provides for such designation.

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

C.S.H.B. 394 amends the Government Code to designate the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center at The University of Texas at Austin as the state botanical garden and arboretum.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 394 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

INTRODUCED

SECTION 1. Chapter 3101, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 3101.013 to read as follows:

Sec. 3101.013. STATE BOTANICAL GARDEN AND ARBORETUM. The state botanical garden and arboretum is the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin.

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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Sec. 3101.013. STATE BOTANICAL GARDEN AND ARBORETUM. The state botanical garden and arboretum is the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center at The University of Texas at Austin.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect
September 1, 2017.

SECTION 2. Same as introduced version.