

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1624
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County Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been noted that the respective amounts paid to a county as the state's contribution for each statutory county court judge and for each statutory probate court judge have not been increased at the same time or by the same amount historically and are currently calculated differently. H.B. 1624 seeks to provide greater consistency by changing the state contribution for a statutory probate court judge to align with the contribution for a statutory county court judge.

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. 1624 amends the Government Code to change the annual state contribution to a county's contributions fund for each statutory probate court judge in the county from \$40,000 to 60 percent of the state salary of a district court judge in the county.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.