

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 541
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Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that the expression of breast milk in public should be protected under law. H.B. 541 seeks to address this issue by entitling a mother to express breast milk in any location the mother's presence is otherwise authorized.

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. 541 amends the Health and Safety Code to entitle a mother to express breast milk in any location in which the mother's presence is otherwise authorized.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.