

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

S.B. 2143  
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Homeland Security & Public Safety  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

It has been suggested that authorizing the tribal council of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas to employ and commission peace officers for the purpose of enforcing state law within the boundaries of the tribe's reservation would significantly improve public safety on tribal lands. S.B. 2143 seeks to provide this authority to the tribal council.

### **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**

S.B. 2143 amends the Code of Criminal Procedure to authorize the tribal council of the Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas to employ and commission peace officers for the purpose of enforcing state law within the boundaries of the tribe's reservation.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2019.