

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 2245
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County Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that certain differences in state law governing the authority of a county to regulate traffic in private subdivisions and special districts create confusion about whether a county can extend both traffic regulations and its enforcement of those regulations to a special district's roads by signing an agreement with the special district. S.B. 2245 seeks to address this issue by clarifying that a special district and a county may extend both by means of an interlocal contract.

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. 2245 amends the Government Code to authorize a county commissioners court to enter into an interlocal contract with the board of a special district for the county to enforce the county's traffic regulations on a public road in the county that is owned, operated, and maintained by the district.

S.B. 2245 amends the Transportation Code to authorize a county commissioners court to provide for the enforcement of those regulations under the terms of such a contract.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.