

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 2906  
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Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

There are reports of public housing authorities applying rental payments to charges other than current or delinquent rent. This can lead to low-income individuals being evicted from their homes despite efforts to pay their rent. H.B. 2906 seeks to address this issue by ensuring that rental payments from a tenant are applied to rent before they are applied to other obligations.

### **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. 2906 amends the Local Government Code to require a public housing authority to apply a rental payment received from a tenant to any current or delinquent rent owed by the tenant before applying the payment to other charges, fees, or expenses owed by the tenant.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2021.