

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 587  
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State Affairs  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

It has been suggested that state and local governmental entities would benefit economically from taking advantage of joint-use partnerships with unused and underused public facilities. H.B. 587 seeks to require the Texas Facilities Commission to conduct a study to determine the availability and suitability of existing unused and underused public facilities for joint use and to gauge the economic impact of that joint use.

### **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. 587 requires the Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) to conduct a study to assess the availability and suitability of existing unused and underused public facilities for joint use by two governmental entities. The study must assess the economic advantages of that use. The bill requires the TFC to submit a written report on the results of the study to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and members of the legislature not later than December 1, 2022. The bill's provisions expire January 1, 2023.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2021.