

**SUBJECT:** Relating to records on appeal in municipal courts of record

**COMMITTEE:** Urban Affairs — favorable, without amendment

**VOTE:** 6 ayes — Talton, Wong, Menendez, Bailey, Blake, Rodriguez  
0 nays  
1 absent — A. Allen

**WITNESSES:** None

**BACKGROUND:** Government Code, ch. 30, also known as the “Uniform Municipal Courts of Record Act,” regulates municipal courts of record, certain appellate courts and their functions, and court personnel.

**DIGEST:** HB 1157 would amend various sections in the Government Code by replacing all references to “statement of facts” with “reporter’s record” and all references to “transcripts” with “clerk’s record.”

The bill would take immediate effect if finally passed by a two-thirds record vote of the membership of each house. Otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2005.

**SUPPORTERS SAY:** HB 1157 would make technical changes to the Government Code to bring its language into conformity with that contained in the Texas Rules of Appellate Procedure and the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.

**OPPONENTS SAY:** No apparent opposition.

**NOTES:** The companion bill, SB 1014 by Harris, passed the Senate on the Local and Uncontested Calendar on April 7 and was reported favorably, without amendment, by the House Urban Affairs Committee on April 14, making it eligible to be considered in lieu of HB 1157.