BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

S.B. 1886 By: Shapleigh Criminal Justice 4-16-97 As Filed

DIGEST

Currently, the juvenile justice information system contains information on juveniles whose conduct, if committed by an adult, would constitute a criminal offense under Section 28.03, Penal Code. However, the system does not contain information on juveniles who commit a graffiti offense under Section 28.03(a)(3), Penal Code. The collection of information on juvenile graffiti perpetrators would allow law enforcement to track these offenders. This bill will require the system to contain information relating to conduct by a juvenile that, if committed by an adult, would constitute a criminal offense under Section 28.03(a)(3), Penal Code.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1886 requires the juvenile justice information system to contain information relating to conduct by a juvenile that, if committed by an adult, would constitute a criminal offense under Section 28.03(a)(3), Penal Code.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 58.104, Family Code, to require the juvenile justice information system, notwithstanding Subsection (a), to consist of information relating to conduct by a juvenile that, if the conduct had been committed by an adult, would constitute a criminal offense under Section 28.03(a)(3), Penal Code, without regard to whether the offense is punishable by fine only.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.