BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Tarrant County is not required to furnish and equip suitable rooms for the court in the Second Court of Appeals District and the justices without expense to the state. Because the court is located in a courthouse designed for a trial court, space has become limited due to a growing staff. This bill requires the county to furnish and equip suitable rooms for the court and the justices without expense to the state.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 619 requires Tarrant County to furnish and equip suitable rooms for the Second Court of Appeals District Court and the justices without expense to the state.

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 22.203, Government Code, to require Tarrant County to furnish and equip suitable rooms for the Second Court of Appeals District Court and the justices without expense to the state. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.