

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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C.S.H.B. 2147  
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Natural Resources  
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Committee Report (Substituted)

### **DIGEST**

According to the publication "Bordering the Future" produced by the State Comptroller of Public Accounts in July, 1998, Texas does not have adequate affordable housing. The Texas General Land Office is in charge of managing state-owned property. C.S.H.B. 2147 would require the identification of real property owned by the state that is suitable for the development of affordable housing.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, C.S.H.B. 2147 requires the identification of real property owned by the state that is suitable for the development of affordable housing.

### **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 31.156, Natural Resources Code, by adding Subsection (e), to require the asset management division of the General Land Office to furnish an appraisal to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (department) of properties that have been identified as unused or substantially underused.

SECTION 2. Amend Section 31.157, Natural Resources Code, by amending Subsection (b), to require the draft report to be submitted to the department. Authorizes the department to comment on any findings or recommendations made by the commissioner of the General Land Office and to make additional recommendations regarding the suitability of the property for affordable housing.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.  
Effective date: upon passage.