BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the consideration of a person's color, disability, or age while determining appointments to the Board of Law Examiners is not prohibited. H.B. 221 requires these criteria to be disregarded while considering appointment of an individual to the Board of Law Examiners.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 221 requires the individual characteristics of color, disability, and age to be disregarded in the process of making appointments to the Board of Law Examiners.

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 82.001(c), Government Code, to add color, disability, and age to the list of characteristics which are required to be disregarded in the process of making appointments to the Board of Law Examiners.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

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