

BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 1389
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Committee Report (Substituted)

DIGEST

Currently, the El Paso County Juvenile Board (board) is composed of the county judge, El Paso County's family district court judges and juvenile court judges, and up to five judges serving on the El Paso Council of Judges. The Texas Judicial Council and its committee on juvenile justice reform/impact on the courts have recommended that membership on the board be expanded. The committee also recommended that judges from other local courts who have jurisdiction over juveniles to be included on the board in order to permit all of the courts with jurisdiction over juveniles to work together to address juvenile crime issues. C.S.S.B. 1389 would include a justice of the peace and a municipal court judge to serve on the board.

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 1389 includes a justice of the peace and a municipal court judge to serve on the El Paso County Juvenile Board.

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 152.0771(a), Human Resources Code, to provide that the juvenile board of El Paso County is composed of a municipal judge from El Paso County selected by the chairman of the juvenile board of El Paso County, a justice of the peace in El Paso County selected by the chairman of the juvenile board of El Paso County, and certain judges. Makes conforming and nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

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