

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law authorizes the Texas State Cemetery Committee (committee) to authorize the burial of a person only during a period in which the legislature is not convened, and only if the committee finds that the person to be buried made a significant contribution to Texas history. S.B. 1545 would authorize the committee to act on emergency burial requests during the legislative session when it is not practical, feasible, or possible to delay burial until the legislature or governor can act on the request and a concurrent resolution or proclamation can be obtained.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1545 authorizes the Texas State Cemetery Committee to act on emergency burial requests during a legislative session.

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 2165.256(e), Government Code, to delete text regarding the Texas State Cemetery Committee (committee) authorizing a burial under Subsection (d)(6) only during a period in which the legislature is not convened, and only if the committee finds that the person to be buried made a significant contribution to Texas history.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.