

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Section 320.045, Local Government Code, authorizes counties to regulate the use of county parks; however, the statute contains no provision for enforcement of these rules. S.B. 1708 would regulate county parks by making a violation of a county park rule a Class C misdemeanor.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1708 regulates county parks by making a violation against a county park rule a Class C misdemeanor.

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 320.045, Local Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 320.045. New heading: RULES; PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS. Provides that a person commits an offense, if the person violates a board of park commissioners rule adopted under Subsection (a). Provides that an offense under this subsection is a Class C misdemeanor. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.