

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Under current law, the qualified voters of a county with a population of more than 25,000 may petition the commissioners court of the county to increase the minimum salary of each member of the sheriff's department. Currently, there is no limit on the amount of a proposed pay increase or on the effective date of any proposed increase. If such an issue brings about an election and passes, counties may be forced to pay large increases with little advance warning. H.B. 3073 prohibits these proposed pay increases for members of a sheriff's department from exceeding 10 percent of a current salary and from taking effect until the next fiscal year.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 152.072(b), Local Government Code, to require a petition under this section to state the amount of the proposed minimum salary for each rank, pay grade, or classification, not to exceed a 10 percent increase in the current salary; and to state the effective date of the proposed salary increase, not earlier than the first day of the next county fiscal year.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.