

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

The line of vegetation is the line that separates the public beach easement from private use property. The line of vegetation does not have a fixed location and can shift as a result of erosion. Therefore what was once private property could become subject to a public beach easement. H.B. 779 provides that, in certain areas, the line of vegetation is along the seaward side of a stone revetment.

### **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 61.017, Natural Resources Code, by adding Subsection (d) to set forth provisions establishing line of vegetation along the Gulf of Mexico in certain areas of public beach.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.