

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program was transferred from the Texas Department of Health to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) during the 75th Legislature, Regular Session, 1997, by H.B. 2561. When the transfer occurred, statutory references were changed to reflect the program's location at the OAG, but a cross reference in Article 57.02(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, was not changed.

As proposed, S.B. 1126 amends the cross reference to reflect that the program is now located in the OAG.

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 Article 57.02(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, to require the Sexual Assault Prevention and Crisis Services Program of the office of the attorney general, rather than the Texas Department of Health, to develop and distribute to all law enforcement agencies of the state a pseudonym form to record the name, address, telephone number, and pseudonym of a victim.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2005.