

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, a commissioners court is authorized to allow money to be deducted from the employee's pay check for a payment to a credit union, of membership dues in a labor union or bona fide employees association, of fees for parking in a count-owned facility, to a charity or to any other organization the commissioners court deems to be serving a public purpose, upon the request of a county employee.

As proposed, S.B. 1584 amends differences between existing law and current practice relating to payment of membership dues to labor unions or employee associations by deputy sheriffs in certain populous counties.

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 155.001, Local Government Code, by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c), as follows:

(a) Authorizes a commissioners court, on the request of a county employee, to authorize a payroll deduction to be made from the employee's wages or salary for payment of membership dues in a labor union or a bona fide employees association, except as provided by Subsection (c).

(c) Provides that this subsection applies only to a deputy sheriff in a county with a population of one million or more that adopted Chapter 174 (Fire and Police Employee Relations) after January 1, 2004, and only to the extent the deputy sheriff is a member of a bargaining unit represented by an exclusive bargaining agent under Chapter 174. Requires the commissioners court to authorize a payroll deduction from a deputy sheriff's wages or salary under Subsection (a)(2) with written authorization from the deputy sheriff, but only for payment of dues to the association selected under Chapter 174 as the exclusive bargaining agent for the applicable bargaining unit.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2007.