

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Interested parties contend that the circumstances surrounding the active duty service of fire fighters and police officers who are deployed as Texas National Guardsmen or as United States military reservists have changed significantly over recent years and that current military deployments of reservists typically are for periods of up to three months and rarely last as long as 12 months.

H.B. 2924 amends current law relating to military leave time accounts for police and fire departments.

### **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 143.075, Local Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 143.075. MILITARY LEAVE TIME ACCOUNTS. (a) Makes no change to this subsection.

(b) Requires that a military leave time account benefit a fire fighter or police officer who is a member of the Texas National Guard or the armed forces reserves of the United States, was called to active federal military duty while serving as a fire fighter or police officer for the municipality, and has served on active duty for a period of three continuous months or longer, rather than requires that a military leave time account benefit a fire fighter or police officer who is a member of the Texas National Guard or the armed forces reserves of the United States, was called to active federal military duty while serving as a fire fighter or police officer for the municipality, has served on active duty for a period of 12 continuous months or longer, and has exhausted the balance of the person's vacation, holiday, and compensatory leave time accumulations.

(c)-(d) Makes no change to these subsections.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2013.