

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, only certain emergency vehicles are authorized to use universally recognized emergency flashing lights. S.B. 1024 adds security vehicles at Dallas/Fort Worth Airport (DFW) to that definition. This change will allow DFW to better coordinate its emergency response and enhance public safety by increasing visibility of security officers.

As proposed, S.B. 1024 amends current law relating to the definition of an authorized emergency vehicle.

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 541.201(1), Transportation Code, as follows:

(1) Redefines "authorized emergency vehicle" to include an emergency management or airport security vehicle that is owned or leased by a joint board created under Section 22.074 (Joint Board) and has been designated or authorized by the joint board. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2017.