SPONSOR'S VIEW: Rep. Anita Hill said she could not understand why the Governor would veto the bill. It did not grant any special privilege to this district by allowing it to divide into two or more districts, she said, because the procedure for such a division is already provided for in Chapter 53 of the Water Code.

NOTES: The House Study Group analysis of HB 2377 appeared in the May 13 Daily Floor Report.

Williamson County Court at Law jurisdiction
(HB 2419 by Riley)

DIGEST: This bill would have raised from $10,000 to $50,000 the maximum amount in controversy over which the county court at law in Williamson County would have jurisdiction. It would also have expanded the court's jurisdiction to include certain family-related suits.

GOVERNOR'S REASONS FOR VETO: The Governor said the county commissioners court, the county judge, and the county-court-at-law judge in Williamson County all opposed this bill as unnecessary and "extremely costly to the taxpayers...."

SPONSOR'S VIEW: Rep. Riley said "there wasn't any reason in the world" for the Governor to veto this bill, and noted that most other counties were seeking to expand county-court-at-law jursidiction. Rep. Riley said that Williamson County officials will probably realize that he was right and "support it next time."

Denton County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1
(HB 2439 by Campbell)

DIGEST: HB 2439 would have validated the creation of the Denton County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1. The district could have been divided into two or more new districts if it had no outstanding bond debt and was not levying a property tax at the time it was divided. The district could have annexed any territory if the owner petitioned for annexation. Qualifications and compensation would have been set for certain district officials. The district would have been granted the authority to act as a road utility district.