BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 738 considers training requirements imposed under Section 419.038 (Appointment to Aircraft Firefighting and Rescue Fire Protection Personnel Position), Government Code, to be satisfied if an individual is employed by a Class IV airport operating and certified under the requirements of 14 C.F.R. [Code of Federal Regulations] Part 139.

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 419.038, Government Code, by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d), as follows:
 - (a) Prohibits a person from being appointed to an aircraft fire fighting and rescue fire protection personnel position, except on a probationary basis, unless the person meets the requirements of Subsection (d).
 - (d) Provides that a person is considered to have satisfied the training requirements of this section and authorizes the person to be appointed to an aircraft fire fighting and rescue fire protection personnel position if the person is employed at an airport that meets certain criteria.
- SECTION 2. Provides that changes in law made by this Act apply to aircraft fire fighting and rescue fire protection personnel appointed under Section 419.038, Government Code, without regard to whether the personnel were appointed on, before, or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.