

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1287  
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Criminal Jurisprudence  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties have expressed concern that a court does not have the option to allow defendants in certain counties to participate in an electronic monitoring program as an alternative to serving all or part of a sentence of confinement in county jail if the defendant has been placed on community supervision. H.B. 1287 seeks to address this issue by providing for the judicial option for such a defendant to participate in an electronic monitoring program.

### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### **ANALYSIS**

H.B. 1287 amends the Code of Criminal Procedure to remove from the authorization for a court to require a defendant to participate in an electronic monitoring program operated by the commissioners court of the county or by a private vendor under contract with the commissioners court as an alternative to serving all or part of a sentence of confinement in county jail the condition that the defendant has not been placed on community supervision.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2017.