BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 94 By: Hall Defense & Veterans' Affairs Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that in recent years members of the Texas military forces have been called to state active duty to assist in the state's border security efforts and contend that the state should do more to honor the service of these individuals in attempting to secure the Texas border. S.B. 94 seeks to provide for the creation of a Texas Border Security and Support Service Ribbon.

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

S.B. 94 amends the Government Code to authorize the governor or adjutant general, if delegated the authority, to adopt policies and regulations relating to awarding the Texas Border Security and Support Service Ribbon, which is required to be awarded to a member of the Texas military forces who served on or after July 28, 2014, on state active duty for at least 30 consecutive days and satisfactorily in support of operations to secure the Texas border.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.

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