

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2318
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County Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that the residents of Reagan County would benefit from the construction of a new EMS and fire station as the current station is not able to effectively meet the county's needs. H.B. 2318 seeks to address this issue by authorizing the hospital system of the Reagan Hospital District of Reagan County, Texas, to include certain facilities for public safety and health.

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. 2318 amends the Special District Local Laws Code to authorize the hospital system of the Reagan Hospital District of Reagan County, Texas, to include any facilities the district's board considers necessary for public safety and health. The bill authorizes such a facility to only be constructed by the district using private money and used by the district, or any governmental entity to which the district leases the facility, for public safety and health purposes.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.