BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3088 By: Martinez Transportation Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that certain Texas Department of Transportation purchasing personnel should not be subject to additional training requirements regarding state purchasing mandated by a rule recently adopted by the comptroller of public accounts. H.B. 3088 seeks to address this issue by providing an exemption for those personnel from certain state purchasing training requirements.

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. 3088 amends the Government Code to exempt from statutory provisions relating to the training and certification of state agency purchasing personnel and vendors such personnel of the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) whose duties relate primarily to TxDOT contracts that:

- relate to highway construction or highway engineering; or
- are subject to contract claims procedures established by rule of the Texas Transportation Commission.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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

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