BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3100 By: Wray Elections Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

There are concerns about the lack of protection afforded to peace officers' spouses regarding the confidentiality of their residence addresses. H.B. 3100 seeks to protect the confidentiality of such personal information by including the residence address of the spouse of a peace officer on the list of information furnished on a voter registration application that is considered confidential and that does not constitute public information for purposes of state public information law.

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. 3100 amends the Election Code to expand the list of information furnished on a voter registration application that is considered confidential and that does not constitute public information for purposes of state public information law to include the residence address of the spouse of a peace officer.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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

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