

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 732  
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Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

It has been suggested that notifying a person who maintains a massage establishment of an arrest for prostitution-related activities or unlicensed massage therapy and services occurring at the establishment is a critical method of abating these activities. Although state law provides for notice of such an arrest by law enforcement agencies, there is concern regarding ambiguity with respect to the deadline for such notice. H.B. 732 seeks to establish a uniform deadline by which law enforcement agencies may provide notice of such an arrest to a person who maintains a massage establishment.

### **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. 732 amends Section 125.0017, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, as added by Chapter 1135 (H.B. 240), Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, to change the deadline by which a law enforcement agency may provide written notice to certain persons maintaining leased property operated as a massage establishment of an arrest for certain activities constituting a common nuisance that occur at such property from the 14th day after the date of the arrest to the 30th day after such date.

H.B. 732 repeals Section 125.0017, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, as added by Chapter 858 (H.B. 2552), Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017, which requires such notice to be provided not later than the seventh day after the date of such an arrest at such an establishment.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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