

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 2502
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DIGEST

Currently, the offense of nonpayment of a toll is prosecuted in the justice court precinct in which the offense occurs. In Harris County, this has created a backlog of cases in those justice court precincts in which the offenses usually occur.

H.B. 2502 would allow for the prosecution of the offense of nonpayment of a toll to be prosecuted in any precinct in the county in which the offense occurs.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 2502 provides for the prosecution of the offense of nonpayment of a toll to be prosecuted in any precinct in the county in which the offense occurs.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 284.070, Transportation Code, to authorize an offense under this section, in a county with a population over 2.8 million, to be prosecuted in any precinct in the county in which the offense was committed.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997.
Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.