# **BILL ANALYSIS**

## Senate Research Center

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# **DIGEST**

Currently, Texas law provides an exemption from the model subdivision rules for land that is conveyed as a gift. In practice, this exemption has enabled a person to develop a substandard subdivision by concealing a sale as a gift. This bill would provide an exemption from the rules only if the land is a gift between related persons.

#### PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 569 provides that, in respect to the subdivision of land, Section 232.022, Local Government Code, does not apply if the subdivision is incident to the conveyance of land as a gift between related persons.

#### **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 232.022(a), Local Government Code, to provide that this subchapter does not apply if the subdivision is incident to the conveyance of the land as a gift between persons related to each other within the fourth degree by affinity or consanguinity, as determined under Chapter 573, Government Code.

- SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997. Makes application of this Act prospective.
- SECTION 3. Emergency clause.