# **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center

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## **DIGEST**

Currently, the County Sick Leave Pool Program, created during the 74th Legislative Session, allows an employee to transfer between one and three days of accrued sick leave time or vacation leave time to the county sick leave pool in a certain county. Bexar County commissioners speculated as to whether or not there was a need to clarify the application of the county sick leave pool program. Minor clarification could assist counties in more effectively and efficiently administering the program. S.B. 660 would clarify application of the County Sick Leave Pool Program in order to assist counties in administering the program most effectively.

#### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 660 outlines provisions regarding the operation of a county sick leave pool program.

### **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 157.071(2), Local Government Code, to redefine "employee."

SECTION 2. Amends Section 157.074(b), Local Government Code, to authorize an employee to transfer to the county sick leave pool not less than one day or more than five, rather than three, days of accrued sick leave time or vacation leave time in a county operating under Section 157.072(b), earned by the employee in a fiscal year.

SECTION 3. Amends Section 157.075(a), Local Government Code, to provide that an employee is eligible to use time contributed to the county sick leave pool if, because of a catastrophic injury or illness, rather than because of the injury or illness or because of a previous donation of sick leave time to the pool, the employee has exhausted all the accrued paid leave and compensatory, rather than sick leave, time to which the employee is otherwise entitled.

SECTION 4. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

SECTION 5. Emergency clause.