## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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S.B. 740 By: Armbrister Technology & Bus. Growth 4/12/1999 As Filed

### **DIGEST**

Currently, certain political subdivisions are subject to liability issues regarding power lines located on public property. S.B. 740 would regulate damages resulting from persons who inadvertently come into contact with a high voltage line.

# **PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 740 regulates damages resulting from contact with a high voltage line.

# **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 752.008, Health and Safety Code, to provide that this section does not affect the immunity of the state or a political subdivision of the state. Prohibits an owner or operator of a high voltage overhead line from recovering damages under this section from the state or any political subdivision of the state.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.