## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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#### **DIGEST**

Currently, certain federal criminal investigators have powers of arrest and powers of search and seizure as to felony offenses only under the laws of the State of Texas. The list of law enforcement authorities includes a variety of United States agencies with jurisdiction in Texas. This bill would add commissioned rangers of the National Park Service to the approved list of federal agents with powers of arrest and search and seizures.

# **PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 965 grants certain powers to commissioned rangers of the National Park Service.

# **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 Article 2.122(a), Code of Criminal Procedure, to grant commissioned rangers of the National Park Service the powers of arrest, search and seizure as to felony offenses only under the laws of the State of Texas. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.