

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 1114  
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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

The secretary of state of Texas estimates that approximately two million Texans 18 years of age and older are not registered to vote and almost half of the registered voters in Texas did not vote in the 2000 general election. H.B. 1114 designates the last Tuesday in September of each year as Voter Registration Day to encourage individuals to register to vote.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 662C, Government Code, by adding Section 662.049, as follows:

Sec. 662.049. VOTER REGISTRATION DAY. Provides that the last Tuesday in September of each year is Voter Registration Day. Requires the secretary of state to promote Voter Registration Day with advertising encouraging individuals to register to vote and with programs at businesses, schools, and governmental offices on the importance of voting.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.