

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, the Penal Code provides for the punishment of unlawful restraint, but does not provide an increased penalty for those who restrain a public servant. H.B. 2098 increases the penalty for unlawful restraint from a Class A misdemeanor to a third degree felony if the individual unlawfully restrained is a public servant.

### **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 Section 20.02(c), Penal Code, to provide that an offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor, except that the offense is an offense of an increased class under certain conditions.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2001.