

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Many sexual offenses against children involve the use of computers and several of these offenses involve the possession of child pornography or the enticement of children over the Internet. Under current Texas law, property used to commit these offenses is not considered contraband and is not subject to forfeiture. H.B. 510 expands the definition of “contraband” to include property used in the commission of a felony involving the possession or promotion of child pornography, indecency with a child, sexual performance by a child, or certain criminal solicitation of a minor offenses.

### **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 Article 59.01(2), Code of Criminal Procedure, to redefine “contraband.”

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.  
Makes application of this Act prospective.