

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Currently, certain non-profit organizations incorporated under the Texas Non-Profit Corporations Act are authorized by law to conduct charitable raffles. However, non-profit organizations incorporated under Article 1399 (Lodges), Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes are not authorized to conduct such raffles.

As proposed, S.B. 766 authorizes a grand lodge, its local lodges, and other institutions incorporated under the provisions of Article 1399, to conduct raffles under the provisions of the Charitable Raffle Enabling Act.

### **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 2002.003, Occupations Code, by adding Subsection (b-1), as follows:

(b-1) Sets forth requirements governing qualifications as a nonprofit organization for an organization that is formally recognized as and operates as a local chapter, affiliate, unit, or subordinate lodge of a grand lodge or other institution or order incorporated under Title 32, Revised Statutes, as authorized by Article 1399, Revised Statutes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2005.