## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 2168 By: Chavez et al. (Watson) Criminal Justice 5/8/2009 Engrossed

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

H.B. 2168 amends current law relating to the powers of a sheriff's department civil service commission in certain counties regarding an appeal of a disciplinary action.

## **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 158.035, Local Government Code, by adding Subsection (d), as follows:

(d) Authorizes the sheriff's department civil service commission (commission), in rendering a final decision regarding a disciplinary action by the sheriff's department, to only sustain, overturn, or reduce the disciplinary action. Prohibits the commission from enhancing a disciplinary action by the sheriff's department.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2009.