

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Current law requires the secretary of a Type A general law municipality to notify the Texas Judicial Council (TJC) of the name of each person who is elected or appointed as mayor, municipal court judge, or clerk of a municipal court of the municipality. The secretary must notify the TJC within 30 days after the date of the person's election or appointment. Ideally, information from all municipalities, not just Type A general law municipalities, should be reported.

S.B. 1494 amends the Local Government Code to require the secretary of all municipalities to report to TJC the name of each person who is elected or appointed as mayor, municipal court judge, or clerk of a municipal court of the municipality.

As proposed, S.B. 1494 amends current law relating to reporting to the Texas Judicial Council the election or appointment of certain municipal officers.

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 150, Local Government Code, by adding Subchapter C, as follows:

SUBCHAPTER C. MUNICIPAL REPORTS

Sec. 150.051. **REPORT TO TEXAS JUDICIAL COUNCIL.** Requires the officer or employee responsible for maintaining the records of the governing body of a municipality to notify the Texas Judicial Council of the name of each person who is elected or appointed as presiding officer of the municipality, municipal court judge, or clerk of a municipal court of the municipality. Requires the officer or employee to notify the judicial council not later than the 30th day after the date of the person's election or appointment.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2011.