

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, a federal judge, state judge, or the spouse of a federal or state judge may use the courthouse street address in lieu of the person's residence street address on the person's driver's license application. This authorization allows judges to keep their home address confidential. Interested parties note, however, that this authorization does not extend to certain judges, including those who deal with certain civil commitments. Those judges are not included in the meaning of "state judge" as that term is defined for purposes of that statutory authorization. H.B. 1080 includes these judges in that definition. This change allows a civil judge to use the courthouse address on their application, and keep their personal mailing address private.

H.B. 1080 amends current law relating to the definition of a state judge for purposes of state driver's license and personal identification laws.

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 521.001(a)(8-a), Transportation Code, to redefine "state judge" to mean the judge of an appellate court, a district court, a county court at law, or a statutory probate court of this state, or an associate judge appointed under Chapter 201 (Associate Judge), Family Code, Chapter 54A (Associate Judges), Government Code, or Chapter 574 (Court-Ordered Mental Health Services), Health and Safety Code.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2015.