

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 2334
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Interested parties note a dissonance between the civil and criminal penalties under the Flood Control and Insurance Act in that the civil penalty covers a violation of the act or of a related rule or order whereas the criminal penalty only covers a violation of the act. H.B. 2334 seeks to address this issue to create consistency between the civil penalty and the criminal penalty for such violation.

H.B. 2334 amends current law relating to the imposition of a criminal penalty for the violation of a rule adopted or order issued under the Flood Control and Insurance Act in certain counties.

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 16.3221(a), Water Code, to provide that a person commits an offense if the person violates this subchapter (Flood Insurance) or a rule adopted or order issued under this subchapter in regard to a property located in a county with a population of more than 75,000, rather than that a person commits an offense if the person violates this subchapter.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2017.