

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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

Interested parties note that prohibited yard parking ordinances in certain municipalities are not easily enforced. H.B. 714 addresses this issue by providing for the declaration of a violation of certain municipal parking ordinances to be a civil offense.

H.B. 714 amends current law relating to the civil prosecution of offenses involving certain municipal parking ordinances and authorizes a civil fine.

### **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 610.001, Local Government Code, as follows:

Sec. 601.001. PARKING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY. (a) Creates this subsection from existing text and makes no further changes to this subsection.

(b) Authorizes a municipality with a population of 1.9 million or more, as provided by Chapter 682 (Administrative Adjudication of Vehicle Parking and Stopping Offenses), Transportation Code, to:

(1) declare the violation of a municipal ordinance relating to the parking of an unattended motor vehicle in the front or side yard of a single-family residence in a residential area to be a civil offense; and

(2) by ordinance establish an administrative adjudication hearing procedure under which a civil fine may be imposed.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2017.