

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1731
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State Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that there are many state entities that are currently inactive and outdated and contend that the legislature should act on the governor's recommendations to abolish these entities. S.B. 1731 seeks to implement these recommendations.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

S.B. 1731 abolishes the Agriculture and Wildlife Research and Management Advisory Committee, the State of Texas Anniversary Remembrance Day Medal Committee, the Texas Bioenergy Policy Council, the Texas Bioenergy Research Committee, the Border Security Council, the College Opportunity Act committee, the Texas Distinguished Service Awards Committee, the advisory board of economic development stakeholders, the Texas Emissions Reduction Plan Advisory Board, and the Fire Ant Research and Management Account Advisory Committee. The bill repeals provisions relating to these abolished entities and to the State of Texas Anniversary Remembrance Day Medal, the College Opportunity Act, the Texas Distinguished Service Medal, and the fire ant basic research program.

S.B. 1731 amends the Agriculture Code and the Health and Safety Code to make conforming changes.

S.B. 1731 repeals the following provisions:

- Section 88.216, Education Code
- Chapter 3103, Government Code
- Chapter 50D, Agriculture Code
- Section 421.0025, Government Code
- Chapter 1233, Government Code
- Chapter 3102, Government Code
- Section 481.169, Government Code
- Section 386.001(1), Health and Safety Code

- Section 386.058, Health and Safety Code
- Section 394.001(1), Health and Safety Code
- Section 77.002, Agriculture Code
- Section 88.215, Education Code

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.