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Conference Committee Report Analysis for House Bill 3557

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Committee: Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence
Recommendation: Will of the House

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When HB 3557 was first considered by the House, the LSG made an “unfavorable” recommendation. Since that time, changes have been made to the bill in the House, in the Senate and by the Conference Committee that revised some of the most onerous provisions of the bill, including:

- To reduce the liability that could result from lawful protests that do not harm infrastructure, deleted the terms “vandalizes” and “defaces” as part of the offense;
- Clarifies that superficial damage is not an offense in the bill;
- Requires that a person must trespass before an offense of actual damage; and
- Lowers the penalty range and the maximum fine in the bill.

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