BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

The proposed committee substitute to HB 3686 prohibits any person from setting up unauthorized camps on public rights-of-way or state-owned lands. An *unauthorized camp* is defined in the measure as any tent, shelter, or bedding constructed for overnight sleeping on property not designated as a campsite. Violations will result in a warning for a first offense and a misdemeanor for following offenses. The arresting office can issue a citation if the violator refuses assistance such as transportation to a shelter or food pantry, or other available indigent resources.

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Fiscal Analysis

The proposed committee substitute to HB 3686 prohibits the establishment of an unauthorized camp on public rights-of-way or state-owned lands. As the measure provides clarification on how any potential offenders may avoid receiving a citation, this measure has no direct fiscal or revenue considerations for the state.

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Other Considerations

None.

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