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Bill Analysis

SB 1056 provides that a peace officer employer by the state or a political subdivision shall be liable to an injured party if, under the color of law, the officer subjects any person to the deprivation of any individual rights that create binding obligations on government actors secured by the Bill of Rights. The measure specifically precludes actions arising from such circumstances from the provisions of the Governmental Tort Claims Act. The employer of such an officer shall also indemnify its peace officer for any liability incurred by the peace officer and for any judgment or settlement entered against the peace officer unless the employer determines that the action was unlawful. If such action is deemed unlawful, the officer shall be liable for 5% of the judgement or \$25,000.00, whichever is less.

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