BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 430 By: Riddle Public Education Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Classroom conditions have changed drastically within the last ten years. Increasing administrative demands, frequent continuing education classes, and personal safety issues are common problems for most teachers. Some teachers feel administrators have lost touch with the reality of today's classroom environment.

House Bill 430 requires administrators to return to the classroom environment for a minimum of two days per school year. In doing so, administrators will achieve a better understanding of the current needs of their teachers and students, as well as receive the added benefit of helping to reduce the cost of substitute teachers.

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

House Bill 430 amends the Education Code by requiring each superintendent, principal, assistant principal and other senior administrator in a school district to serve as a substitute teacher for at least two days within each school year.

This Act applies beginning with the 2003-2004 school year.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Upon passage, or, if the Act does not receive the necessary vote, the Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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