

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

H.B. 3012 allows public schools to collaboratively apply for grants from the Investment Capital Fund. Under current law these grants can be used for restructuring to improve student achievement, but must be applied for by individual schools. H.B. 3012 allows schools to partner for these grants.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 7.024(b), (c), (d), and (e), Education Code, as follows:

(b) Authorizes the commissioner of education (commissioner) to make grants from the Investment Capital Fund (fund) to certain entities, including a group of eligible schools located in the same school district that collaboratively organized for the purposes of this section.

(c) Provides that a group of schools organized as described by Subsection (b)(2) is eligible to apply for a grant if the each school in the group has demonstrated a commitment to campus deregulation and restructuring educational practices and conditions at the school by entering into a partnership with certain entities.

(d) Requires a grant from the fund, in the case of a group of schools organized as described by Subsection (b)(2), to be made to each school designated in the group's application as a member of the group. Authorizes the grant to be used for certain purposes. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

(e) Authorizes the commissioner to make a grant that exceeds \$50,000 to a group of eligible schools organized as described by Subsection (b)(2) if not more than \$50,000 in grant funds is distributed to any school that is a member of the group. Makes a nonsubstantive change.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2005.