

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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

There have been rumors over the last few years that the board of regents (board) of the Texas State University System (system) is planning to rename all of the universities in the system. However, changing the name of one of those universities, Sam Houston State University (SHSU), would disregard the contributions of Sam Houston to the state and take away from the university's history.

H.B. 1418 prohibits the board from changing the name of SHSU.

### **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 Section 96.61, Education Code, as follows:

Sec.96.61. SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY. (a) Creates this subsection from existing text.

(b) Prohibits the board of regents of the Texas State University System from changing the name of the university.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.