BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Current statute provides that a parole or probation officer is to notify the "new school officials" when a student transfers or returns to a school. However, it is unclear as to whom the language "new school officials" applies.

S.B. 230 clarifies language in Article 15.27(c), Code of Criminal Procedure, to provide that when notification of the transfer of a student is required, a parole or probation officer must notify the superintendent or a person designated by the superintendent of the school district to which the student is returned or transfers.

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 Article 15.27(c), Code of Criminal Procedure, to require a parole or probation office to notify the superintendent or a person designated by the superintendent, rather than new school officials, regarding a student transferring or returning to a school after engaging in certain criminal conduct. Specifies that in the case of a private school, the principal or person designated by the principal is required to be notified. Makes conforming changes.

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