

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 230
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Corrections
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current statute provides that a parole or probation office 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 office 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

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

SECTION 1. Amends Article 15.27(c), Code of Criminal Procedure, to require a parole or probation office having jurisdiction over a student described by Subsection (a), (b), or (e), Article 15.27, Code of Criminal Procedure, to notify the superintendent or a person designated by the superintendent of the school district, rather than new school officials, regarding a student transferring or returning to a school after arrest, referral to a juvenile court, conviction, or adjudication, in a manner similar to that provided for by Subsection (a) or (e)(1), or conviction or delinquent adjudication in a manner similar to that provided for by Subsection (b) or (e)(2). Specifies that in the case of a private school, the principal or a school employee designated by the principal of the school to which the student transfers or is returned is required to be notified. Makes conforming changes.

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

EFFECTIVE DATE

Upon passage, or, if the Act does not receive the necessary vote, the Act takes effect September 1, 2007.