

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 4435
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Public Education
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Current law requires participation in the school leadership pilot program by the principal of a campus rated academically unacceptable and any person hired to replace that principal. This requirement necessitates that the person hired to replace the original principal would spend significant time away from the campus.

C.S.H.B. 4435 specifies that a principal required to participate in the school leadership pilot program and to complete the program requirements not later than a date determined by the commissioner of education is a principal who was employed as a principal at a campus that was rated academically unacceptable during the preceding school year. The bill removes a person employed to replace such a principal from the application of that requirement.

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

C.S.H.B. 4435 amends the Education Code to specify that a principal required to participate in the school leadership pilot program and to complete the program requirements not later than a date determined by the commissioner of education is a principal who was employed as a principal at a campus that was rated academically unacceptable during the preceding school year. The bill removes a person employed to replace such a principal from the application of that requirement. The bill makes its provisions applicable to a principal employed at a school that is rated academically unacceptable during the 2008-2009 school year.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the act does not receive the necessary vote, the act takes effect September 1, 2009.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

C.S.H.B. 4435 differs from the original by specifying an amendment to the Education Code, whereas the original does not name the code being amended.

C.S.H.B. 4435 differs from the original by making its provisions applicable to a principal who was employed as a principal at a campus that was rated academically unacceptable during the preceding school year, whereas the original makes its provisions applicable to a principal whose campus earns a rating of academically unacceptable.

C.S.H.B. 4435 adds a provision not in the original making its provisions applicable to a principal employed at a school that is rated academically unacceptable during the 2008-2009 school year.