BILL ANALYSIS

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, the office of inspector general of the Texas Youth Commission (TYC) prepares and delivers reports regarding the office's investigations and operations to the executive commissioner of TYC, among others. H.B. 2633 seeks to improve the overall efficiency of operations and communications between TYC personnel by including the board of TYC among those receiving the reports and by having the board select the chief inspector general of the office, who will operate directly under the authority of the board.

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.

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H.B. 2633 amends the Human Resources Code to include the board of the Texas Youth Commission (TYC) among the entities and persons to whom the office of inspector general of the TYC is required to deliver a report concerning the results of any investigation conducted by the office as required by state law. The bill requires the board, rather than the executive commissioner of TYC, to select a commissioned peace officer as chief inspector general. The bill specifies that the chief inspector general operates directly under the authority of the board, and that only the board has the authority to discharge the chief inspector general for cause. The bill includes the board among the entities and persons to whom the chief inspector general is required to deliver a quarterly report concerning the operations of the office of inspector general. The bill removes the executive director of TYC from the entities and persons to whom the office of the inspector general is required to immediately report certain problems relating to the administration of a TYC program or operation or interferences with an office investigation.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2011.