BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 764 By: Williams Public Education Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties assert that it is inappropriate for an independent school district to build or operate a hotel. S.B. 764 seeks to prohibit a board of trustees of an independent school district from imposing taxes, issuing bonds, or authorizing the use of school district employees or school district property, money, or other resources to acquire property to build and operate a hotel. The bill also seeks to prohibit a board of trustees of an independent school district from entering into any type of lease agreement for hotels.

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

S.B. 764 amends the Education Code to prohibit the board of trustees of an independent school district from imposing taxes, issuing bonds, using or authorizing the use of school district employees, using or authorizing the use of school district property, money, or other resources, or acquiring property for the design, construction, renovation, or operation of a hotel. The bill prohibits the board from entering into a lease, contract, or other agreement that obligates the board to engage in such a prohibited activity or obligates the use of district employees or resources in a prohibited manner. The bill defines "hotel" as a building in which members of the public obtain sleeping accommodations for consideration and specifies that the term includes a motel.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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