BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2238 By: Isaac Higher Education Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Since the adoption of Texas State University--San Marcos' name, the university has added a campus in Round Rock. Interested parties point out that references to Texas State University--San Marcos for activities taking place on the campus in Round Rock are a growing source of confusion. H.B. 2238 seeks to eliminate this confusion by changing the name of Texas State University--San Marcos to Texas State University.

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

H.B. 2238 amends the Education Code to change the name of Texas State University--San Marcos to Texas State University and to specify that Texas State University has a campus located in the city of Round Rock. The bill establishes that a reference in law to Texas State University--San Marcos means Texas State University and that an appropriation for the use and benefit of Texas State University--San Marcos is available for the use and benefit of Texas State University. The bill requires the board of regents of the Texas State University System and Texas State University--San Marcos to ensure that the name change is implemented with as little unnecessary cost as possible. The bill requires the university, to the maximum extent practicable, to use all stationery and other consumable supplies that are printed with the institution's former name and are in its possession on the bill's effective date.

H.B. 2238 amends the Government Code to make conforming changes.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2013.