BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1832 By: Uresti Corrections Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

The composition of juvenile boards vary from county to county, with the juvenile board of Edwards County consisting of the county judge and the district judge in the county. Interested parties note that many rural counties operate a joint juvenile probation board with other nearby counties in their judicial district in order to share costs and efficiently deliver services. These parties further note that, as a result of recently enacted legislation, Edwards County was moved from the 63rd Judicial District to the 198th Judicial District but that statutory provisions relating to the Edwards County juvenile board do not currently reflect this change. S.B. 1832 seeks to update current law to provide Edwards County with the statutory authority to operate a joint juvenile 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.

ANALYSIS

S.B. 1832 amends the Human Resources Code to authorize the juvenile board of Edwards County and the juvenile boards of one or more counties that are adjacent to or in close proximity to Edwards County to agree to operate together. The bill authorizes juvenile boards operating together to appoint one fiscal officer to receive and disburse funds for the boards.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2013.

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