BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

During the 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, a pilot program was created for the Dallas and Houston independent school districts that allowed them to operate a three-year high school diploma plan. The success of the programs in Dallas and Houston should be tested on a smaller scale for purposes of considering statewide implementation. H.B. 2025 aims to allow school districts with smaller enrollments to participate in the pilot program.

H.B. 2025 amends current law relating to participation of certain school districts in the three-year high school diploma plan pilot program.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 28.0255(b), Education Code, as follows:

(b) Provides that this section applies only to a school district:

(1) with an enrollment of more than 150,000 students and located primarily in a county with a population of 2.2 million or more that is adjacent to a county with a population of more than 600,000; Makes nonsubstantive changes to this subdivision; or

(2) with an enrollment of more than 5,000 but less than 7,000 students and located primarily in a county that contains the headwaters of the San Gabriel River.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2015.