# **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 2025 By: Gonzales, Larry Public Education Committee Report (Unamended)

## BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties suggest that the success of three-year high school diploma plan pilot 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.

#### **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

## **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. 2025 amends the Education Code to include a school district 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 among the school districts that may develop and implement a pilot program for students who wish to obtain a high school diploma after completion of three years of secondary school attendance as an alternative to the traditional four-year period of attendance.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2015.