BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 232 By: Giddings Public Education Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that a recent report recommended that all prekindergarten classrooms have a maximum of 22 students in order to create conditions for high-quality classrooms. H.B. 232 caps the prekindergarten class size.

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. 232 amends the Education Code to extend the 22-student class size limit on a public school kindergarten, first, second, third, or fourth grade class to a prekindergarten class, beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, on the 91st day after the last day of the legislative session.