

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

S.B. 60  
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Appropriations  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties note that even if continued by the 85th Legislature, 1st Called Session, 2017, the Texas Medical Board and the Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists would be ineligible for funding under S.B. 1, Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017 (the General Appropriations Act), due to certain riders in the act making the appropriations for those boards contingent on the passage of legislation continuing the boards during the regular session. S.B. 60 seeks to ensure these boards receive state appropriations in the next fiscal biennium on continuation of the boards by the 85th Legislature, 1st Called Session, 2017, by repealing the applicable contingency riders.

### **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**

S.B. 60 repeals the following riders to S.B. 1, Acts of the 85th Legislature, Regular Session, 2017 (the General Appropriations Act), which make appropriations for the Texas Medical Board and the Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, respectively, contingent on the approval of legislation continuing those boards during that regular legislative session:

- Rider 6 following the appropriations to the Texas Medical Board (page VIII-35); and
- Rider 2 following the appropriations to the Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists (page VIII-51).

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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