BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 481 By: King, Ken Public Education Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties express concern that some school districts are being asked to return money to the state resulting from an erroneous overallocation of state funds to the district, even if the overallocation happened many years in the past. H.B. 481 seeks to remedy this situation by prohibiting the recovery of overallocated funds under certain conditions.

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. 481 amends the Education Code to prohibit the Texas Education Agency from recovering an overallocation of state funds from a school district if the overallocation occurred more than seven years before the date the overallocation is discovered and the overallocation occurred as a result of changes to statutory provisions relating to public education and related requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.

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