

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 3024
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Public Education
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that allowing a licensed chiropractor to determine whether a student might have sustained a concussion during an interscholastic athletics practice or competition and thus should be removed from the practice or competition could improve the health and safety of student-athletes. H.B. 3024 seeks to provide for the removal of a student from such an activity on the basis of a suspected concussion as determined by a licensed chiropractor.

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. 3024 amends the Education Code to include a licensed chiropractor among the persons whose belief that a student might have sustained a concussion during an interscholastic athletics practice or competition triggers the requirement for the immediate removal of the student from the practice or competition.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2017.