

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 3512
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Higher Education
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that an independent school district may petition for the creation of a certain type of junior college under limited conditions. C.S.H.B. 3512 seeks to provide an alternative set of conditions for an independent school district located in a certain county in which no junior college campus is located with the legislature's commitment to developing ways to provide a more-educated workforce in mind.

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

C.S.H.B. 3512 amends the Education Code to authorize an independent school district that is located in a county with a population of less than 40,000 in which no junior college campus is located and that is adjacent to a county with a population of more than 3.3 million to establish a junior college if the proposed junior college district has a taxable property valuation greater than \$5 billion in the next preceding year and a total scholastic population greater than 5,000 in the next preceding year.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 3512 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

INTRODUCED

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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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for any territorial unit set out in Sections 130.011 and 130.031 of this code to establish the applicable type of junior college, the proposed district must have a taxable property valuation of not less than \$2.5 billion in the next preceding year and a total scholastic population of not less than 15,000 in the next preceding school year.

(b) An independent school district in which no junior college campus is located may establish a junior college under Section 130.011 if the proposed district has a taxable property valuation greater than \$5 billion in the next preceding year and a total scholastic population greater than 5,000 in the next preceding year.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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(b) An independent school district that is located in a county with a population of less than 40,000 in which no junior college campus is located and that is adjacent to a county with a population of more than 3.3 million may establish a junior college under Section 130.011 if the proposed junior college district has a taxable property valuation greater than \$5 billion in the next preceding year and a total scholastic population greater than 5,000 in the next preceding year.

SECTION 2. Same as introduced version.