

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 613  
By: Springer  
Public Education  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

There are concerns that the joint election requirement applicable to an election for trustees of an independent school district may result in long-term vacancies on the board of trustees. H.B. 613 seeks to address these concerns by removing that requirement while still providing a statutory framework for joint elections for trustees.

### **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. 613 amends the Education Code to remove the requirement that an election for trustees of an independent school district be held as a joint election on the same date as certain other elections and to make statutory provisions relating to such a joint election applicable only if such a joint election is held.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2019.