BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 636 By: White Public Education Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

There are concerns that open-enrollment charter schools are not among the governmental entities that cannot enter contracts with a value of at least \$1 million unless the business entity submits a disclosure of applicable interested parties to the business entity to the governmental entity. H.B. 636 seeks to address these concerns by including charter schools among such governmental entities.

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. 636 amends the Government Code to include an open-enrollment charter school among the governmental entities that may not enter into a contract with a business entity, if the contract requires an action or vote by the governing body of the governmental entity before the contract may be signed or if the contract has a value of at least \$1 million, unless the business entity submits a disclosure of interested parties to the governmental entity.

EFFECTIVE DATE

January 1, 2020.