

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 953  
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Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

It has been noted with concern that, unlike an open-enrollment charter school, a public school district that pays a salary to a professional staffer that is above the amount required by the minimum salary schedule must pay out of the district's own budget the state's contribution into the Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) on the portion of the salary that exceeds the statutory minimum salary. H.B. 953 seeks to address this issue by making this requirement applicable with respect to a member of TRS employed by an open-enrollment charter school.

### **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. 953 amends the Government Code to require an open-enrollment charter school, for members of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas employed by the charter school and who would be entitled to the statutory minimum salary for certain professional staff if employed by a public school district, to pay the state's contribution on the portion of the member's salary that exceeds the applicable statutory minimum salary. The bill applies beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

September 1, 2019.