

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 2890  
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Public Education  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Before a charter school can be approved and established in Texas, it must go through a rigorous review process. Currently, the commissioner of education can propose to grant a charter for an open-enrollment charter school in Texas, but the State Board of Education (SBOE), composed of 15 members, can veto that proposal with a majority of members present and voting. H.B. 2890 seeks to increase the vote threshold that vetoes the commissioner's proposed grant of a charter to two-thirds of the total SBOE membership.

### **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. 2890 amends the Education Code to change the requisite voting threshold that vetoes a proposal by the commissioner of education to grant a charter for an open-enrollment charter school from a majority of State Board of Education (SBOE) members present and voting to two-thirds of the total SBOE membership.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2023.