**BILL ANALYSIS**

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**AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

S.B. 1032 amends the Education Code to expand the definition of an "eligible institution" under the Governor's University Research Initiative (GURI). S.B. 1032 adds "private or independent institution of higher education" to the existing definition, thereby broadening the scope of institutions that can participate.

Additionally, S.B. 1032 modifies the provisions regarding the use of matching grants by eligible institutions. Specifically, it prohibits these institutions from using matching grants to recruit distinguished researchers from another eligible institutions, such as a state school that is also participating in GURI.

The changes will apply only to agreements entered into after the effective date of the Act, which will take effect immediately if it receives a two-thirds vote from both houses, or on September 1, 2025, if not.

As proposed, S.B. 1032 amends current law relating to participation in the governor's university research initiative.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

**SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 62.161(2), Education Code, to redefine "eligible institution."

SECTION 2. Amends Section 62.163, Education Code, to delete existing text prohibiting a matching grant from being used by an eligible institution to recruit a distinguished researcher from a private or independent institution of higher education and to make nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 3. Makes application of Sections 62.161(2) and 62.163(d), Education Code, as amended by this Act, prospective.

SECTION 4. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2025.