BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The proximity of facilities providing homeless services near schools has raised concerns among communities about the safety and well-being of students. While these services are essential to support vulnerable populations, their close proximity to schools requires action to maintain a safe and secure environment for students, families, and communities.

S.B. 2624 seeks to maintain a safe environment around our schools by prohibiting navigation services from being provided within 1.5 miles of an institution of higher education, a playground, or school.

As proposed, S.B. 2624 amends current law relating to the provision of services for individuals experiencing homelessness at certain locations.

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 Chapter 370, Local Government Code, by adding Section 370.010, as follows:

Sec. 370.010. NAVIGATION SERVICES PROHIBITED IN CERTAIN AREAS. (a) Defines "institution of higher education," "playground," "school," "navigation services," and "service provider."

(b) Requires a municipality or county to prohibit a service provider from providing navigation services at a location or facility within 1.5 miles of an institution of higher education, playground, or school.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2025.