

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2614
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Public Education
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note an increase in the number of students taking college preparation tests but express concern regarding the required administration of such tests without accompanying state funding. H.B. 2614 seeks to provide districts with greater flexibility with regard to such tests.

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. 2614 amends the Education Code to replace the requirement that a public school district, each year and at state cost, administer to students in 8th grade and in 10th grade a preliminary college preparation test with an authorization for a district to administer such a test to those students. The bill applies beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2017.