

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 1133
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Public Education
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Concerns have been raised that certain statewide policies with respect to public education may not fit the needs of every school district. Some have pointed to the statutory limitation on kindergarten through fourth grade class sizes as an example of a policy that does not offer individual school districts the flexibility to address their specific needs with regard to the allocation of students to teachers. H.B. 1133 seeks to remedy this issue by making the 22-student limitation applicable to the campus-wide average class size for each affected grade level, rather than to each individual classroom.

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. 1133 amends the Education Code to change the limitation on enrollments at the kindergarten, first, second, third, and fourth grade levels in a public school district from 22 students per class to a campus-wide average in each applicable grade level of 22 students per class. The bill's provisions apply beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.