

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 3836
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Public Education
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

There are concerns that school districts may be confused about considering the use of open education resource instructional materials in addition to or in place of traditional materials such as textbooks. C.S.H.B. 3836 seeks to address this concern by requiring each public school district and open-enrollment charter school to consider the use of open education resource instructional materials in selecting instructional material each year.

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

C.S.H.B. 3836 amends the Education Code to replace the authorization for each public school district or open-enrollment charter school to consider the use of open education resource instructional materials in selecting instructional material each year with a requirement for each district or charter school to do so.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

C.S.H.B. 3836 differs from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways by conforming to certain bill drafting conventions.