

**SUBJECT:** Allowing formula funding for pharmacy school at UT Tyler

**COMMITTEE:** Appropriations — committee substitute recommended

**VOTE:** 25 ayes — Bonnen, M. González, Allison, C. Bell, Bryant, DeAyala, Gates, Gervin-Hawkins, Howard, Isaac, Jetton, Martinez, Martinez Fischer, Morrison, Orr, Ortega, Rose, Spiller, Stucky, Tepper, E. Thompson, Toth, VanDeaver, Walle, Wu

0 nays

2 absent — Jarvis Johnson, Thimesch

**WITNESSES:** For — None

Against — None

On — Kirk Calhoun, UT Tyler

**BACKGROUND:** Under Education Code sec. 76.026, the pharmacy school at the University of Texas at Tyler is not eligible to receive funding from the state's formula funding model for instruction, operations, or infrastructure.

Some have suggested that formula funding should be extended to the pharmacy school at the University of Texas at Tyler.

**DIGEST:** CSHB 1794 would repeal Education Code sec. 76.026.

The bill would take immediate effect if finally passed by a two-thirds record vote of the membership of each house. Otherwise, it would take effect September 1, 2023.

**NOTES:** According to the Legislative Budget Board, the bill would have an estimated negative impact of about \$3.3 million to general revenue related funds through fiscal 2024-25.