

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, state law sets forth the types of test instruments and procedures to be used in the academic testing of students in certain schools. Students in some proprietary schools may not be achieving certain required levels of achievement with regard to the Texas Academic Skills Program, or any other test created by Section 51.306, Education Code. This bill exempts students of a proprietary school from taking or passing a test instrument as adopted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board under Section 51.306 or a similar test in order to receive a degree.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1306 exempts students of a proprietary school from taking or passing a test instrument as adopted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board under Section 51.306 or a similar test in order to receive a degree.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 132.063, Education Code, as follows:

Sec. 132.063. New heading: APPROVED DEGREES; ACADEMIC TESTING. Prohibits the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board from requiring a student of a proprietary school to take or pass a test instrument adopted by the board under Section 51.306 or a similar test in order to receive a degree.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.