

BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

S.B. 168
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Committee Report (Amended)

DIGEST

Currently, campus performance evaluations provide financial incentives to principals. Public consensus indicates that while principals are a significant factor in the success of a high-performance school, distribution of financial incentives should benefit the entire campus. S.B. 168 provides the mechanism for establishing an objective system to evaluate campuses and the incentives they may receive.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 168 establishes an objective system for distributing financial incentives to high performing schools, instead of principals of high-performing schools.

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 21.357, Education Code, by transferring it to Chapter 39F, Education Code, redesignating it as Section 39.113, as follows:

Sec. 39.113. New heading: CAMPUS PERFORMANCE INCENTIVES. Requires the commissioner of education to design an objective system to evaluate campuses, rather than to evaluate principals. Requires the campus-level planning and decision-making committee established under Section 11.253 to determine the use of a campus performance incentive awarded to a campus under this section. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1997.

SECTION 3. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 4. Emergency clause.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

Amendment 1.

Amends page 2, line 8, Section (d), to delete "1999" and insert "2001."

Returns Subsection (d) to original language.