

BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 911
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Committee Report (Substituted)

DIGEST

Currently, Texas law leaves discretion with the commissioner of education (commissioner) to take certain actions with regard to a public school campus which is determined to be low-performing. C.S.S.B. 911 would require the commissioner to take one or more actions in regard to a campus which is determined to be low-performing and would continue to allow the commissioner discretion in choosing to appoint a board of managers or to order closure of the school program on that campus.

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 911 requires certain sanctions to be imposed on low-performing public school campuses.

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 39.131, Education Code, by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2), to require, rather than authorize, the commissioner of education (commissioner) to take certain actions, if a public school campus performance is below any standard under Section 39.073(b). Authorizes the commissioner to appoint a board of managers composed of residents of the school district to exercise the powers and duties of the board of trustees of the district in relation to the campus, if a campus has been a low-performing campus for period of one year or more. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Amends Section 39.131(b), Education Code, to require the commissioner to take certain actions, rather than one or more.