BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 116
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Committee Report (Substituted)

DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, some school districts have ownership of historic one-room schoolhouses. As proposed, C.S.S.B. 116 allows the board of trustees of school districts to donate this property to certain entities in the interest of preservation.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 11D, Education Code, by adding Section 11.1541, as follows:

Sec. 11.1541. DONATION OF SURPLUS PROPERTY. Authorizes the board of trustees of an independent school district to donate excess real property and improvements previously used as a school campus to a municipality, county, or nonprofit organization. Sets forth conditions the board must follow before the transfer can take place. Requires the president of the board of trustees to execute a deed containing certain information transferring the property and improvements. Defines "nonprofit organization."

SECTION 2. Effective date: January 1, 2002.

Makes application of this Act contingent upon the passage of the constitutional amendment proposed by the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, authorizing donation of surplus school district property of historical significance.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

Differs from the original by adding certain conditions under which the board may authorize the donation of certain real property and improvements to a municipality, county, or nonprofit organization. Adds certain functions the deed must serve in transferring ownership of the real property and improvements to the municipality, county, or nonprofit organization.