

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Current law requires that when a school district hires a principal from outside the district, he or she must be hired under a probationary contract, regardless of their years of experience as a principal. As proposed, S.B. 388 allows a school district to hire a principal under a continuing contract as long as the principal has at least 5 years of experience.

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 Section 21.102(a), Education Code, to make a conforming change to provide an exception.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 21.202, Education Code, to require the teacher to be employed under a probationary contract for the period provided by Subchapter C, except as provided by Subsection (b), before a teacher is authorized to be employed under a term contract. Authorizes a school district to employ a person as a principal under a term contract if the person has at least five years of experience as a principal, regardless of whether the person is being employed by the school district for the first time or whether the person has been employed by the district for two consecutive school years subsequent to August 28, 1967.

SECTION 3. Provides that this Act applies beginning with the 2001-2002 school year.

SECTION 4. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.