

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Concerned stakeholders report that, unfortunately, homeless youth are not adequately considered in the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs' low income housing plan. As a consequence, policymakers lack the guidance and critical information that is needed to prevent this vulnerable youth population from remaining homeless into their adulthood.

H.B. 2564 seeks to these concerns by including homeless youth and young adults among the different populations in the low income housing plan.

H.B. 2564 amends current law relating to addressing the needs of homeless youth.

### **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 2306.0721(c), Government Code, as follows:

(c) Requires the integrated state low income housing plan to include:

(1) an estimate and analysis of the size and the different housing needs of the following populations in each uniform state service region:

(A)-(E) makes no changes to these paragraphs;

(F) makes a nonsubstantive changes to this paragraph;

(G) homeless youth, as defined by Section 2306.1101 (Definition), and other individuals older than 18 years of age and younger than 25 years of age who are homeless; and

(H) creates this paragraph from existing text and makes no further changes; and

(2)-(13-a) makes no changes to these subdivisions.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 2306.905(b), Government Code, as follows:

(b) Authorizes the Texas Interagency Council for the Homeless (council) and each of its represented agencies, in accomplishing the council's duties under this section, to seek program or policy assistance from the Texas Homeless Network or any other organization in this state that has a network of providers with expertise in assisting homeless youth, rather than authorizing the council and each of its represented agencies to seek program or policy assistance from the Texas Homeless Network in accomplishing the council's duties.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.