

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1466
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Higher Education
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note that in order to be considered a medical school in the State of Texas and eligible for certain grants, the school must be identified in law. Certain medical schools in the state have not yet been identified and S.B. 1466 seeks to provide for such identification.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

S.B. 1466 amends the Education Code to include in the definition of "medical school," for purposes of contracts for medical residency programs, the medical schools at The University of Texas at Austin and The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley and the medical education program of The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler. The bill clarifies that the inclusion of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center applies to the medical school at the institution and that the inclusion of Texas A&M University applies to the medical school at the Texas A&M University Health Science Center.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2015.