

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1119
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Higher Education
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties suggest that increasing the frequency of the report on employment positions provided through the Texas college work-study program and expanding the information included in the report would provide a more accurate, up-to-date, and reliable set of data. S.B. 1119 seeks to provide for those changes.

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. 1119 amends the Education Code to change the frequency with which the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board is required to submit and post its report on the Texas college work-study program from biennially to annually and to change the deadline by which the coordinating board is required to submit its initial report from May 1, 2019, to September 1, 2018. The bill includes the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives among those to whom the coordinating board is required to submit the report and includes the following among the categories by which the number of students employed through the program and included in the report must be disaggregated: race, ethnicity, and gender; major and certificate or degree program; classification as a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior or the equivalent; and enrollment in a full course load or less than a full course load, as determined by the coordinating board.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2017.