

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

S.B. 372  
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Public Education  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

It has been suggested that the types of security providers available to an open-enrollment charter school should be expanded to be consistent with the options available to a public school district. S.B. 372 seeks to provide for that expansion.

### **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. 372 amends the Education Code to authorize the governing body of an open-enrollment charter school to employ security personnel and commission peace officers in the same manner as a board of trustees of a public school district and to enter into a memorandum of understanding with a local law enforcement agency to assign a school resource officer to the school. The bill establishes that a reference in law to a peace officer commissioned by a public school district includes a peace officer commissioned by an open-enrollment charter school and that a charter school peace officer has the same powers, duties, and immunities as a peace officer commissioned by a district.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2019.