

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

As the business community in Texas grows, so does the need for a population that is ready and trained to enter the workforce after high school. This bill would create a model school-to-work transition program, using Ector County Independent School District Career Center as the state's model.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, H.B. 1468 creates a model school-to-work transition program, using Ector County Independent School District Career Center as the state's model.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 29F, Education Code, by adding Section 29.186, as follows:

Sec. 29.186. MODEL CAREER-TARGETED TRANSITION PROGRAM. Provides that the Ector County Independent School District Career Center is the state's model career-targeted transition program. Authorizes the model career-targeted transition program to develop, implement, and assess a competency-based high school program with an integrated curriculum to provide high school graduates with the elements necessary to make the transition from school to workplace. Requires the model program to provide students with the information and training necessary for competency in curriculum areas and to assess student competency. Authorizes the model career-targeted program to offer a curriculum different than the curriculum required under Section 28.002; to establish graduation requirements different than the requirements under Section 28.025; and provides that the model career-targeted program is not required to administer end-of-course assessment instruments under Section 39.023. Requires the Texas Education Agency to monitor the development, implementation, and assessment of the model career-targeted transition program.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.  
Effective date: upon passage.