

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

Currently, Texas law allows school districts to expel students for serious or persistent misbehavior at any time after placement in the alternative education program, including after the student has been returned to the regular program. S.B. 140 would only allow for such expulsions while the student is in the alternative education program.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, S.B. 140 allows a public school to expel a student who has been placed in an alternative education program for disciplinary reasons while the student is placed in the alternative program rather than after being placed in the program.

### **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 Section 37.007(b), Education Code, to authorize the expulsion of a student, if the student while placed, rather than after being placed, in an alternative education program for disciplinary reasons, continues to engage in serious or persistent misbehavior that violates the district's student code of conduct.

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