

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST**

In 1995, the Texas Legislature established the Texas Workforce Commission (commission) and the system of local workforce development boards (boards) across the state. The commission provides assistance to the boards. In some areas of the state, vendors are not available to provide the information technology services required by the boards. Some boards, primarily in rural areas, are interested in additional assistance from the commission for maintenance of information technology systems. H.B. 2915 would allow the commission to enter into contracts or service level agreements with a local workforce development board for technology assistance and support services beyond the level provided to all boards and charge a fee based on service level options.

### **PURPOSE**

As proposed, H.B. 2915 authorizes the executive director of the workforce development division of the Texas Workforce Commission to enter into certain contracts with local workforce development boards.

### **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 302.002, Labor Code, by adding Subsection (f), to authorize the executive director (director) of the workforce development division of the Texas Workforce Commission (commission) to enter into contracts with local workforce development boards or other entities to establish service level agreements for technology assistance and support. Authorizes the director to charge a fee for services based on the service level options selected by those entities. Authorizes the fees to be used only by the commission to pay costs incurred in providing those services.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.