

BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 1575
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Committee Report (Substituted)

DIGEST

Currently, Texas law authorizes the Texas Workforce Commission to collect fees for the regulation of the proprietary schools and states that the fees shall be used only for the administration of proprietary schools. Texas law also provides that the proprietary schools pay a fee to the credit of the "proprietary school tuition fund." This fund would be used to provide funds for the transfer of students enrolled in a proprietary school that is closed before the student's education is completed. C.S.S.B. 1575 would establish provisions regarding the deposit of excess proprietary school fees to the proprietary school tuition protection fund.

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 1575 establishes provisions regarding the deposit of excess proprietary school fees to the proprietary school tuition protection fund.

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 132.241, Education Code, by adding Subsection (e), to authorize the Texas Workforce Commission (commission) to transfer any portion of the excess amount to the tuition protection fund, if at the end of the fiscal year the commission determines that it has collected fees in excess of the amount necessary to defray the cost and expense of administering this chapter. Prohibits the balance of the fund from exceeding an amount greater than \$250,000.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Amends Section 132.241(e), Education Code, to prohibit the balance of the fund from exceeding an amount greater than \$250,000.