BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the boards of trustees of school districts may commission peace officers to protect students and personnel on school campuses. However, the governing board of the Texas School for the Deaf, which operates school campuses and student residences, does not have the authority to commission peace officers. S.B. 1876 would grant the governing board the authority to commission peace officers.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1766 authorizes the governing board of the Texas School for the Deaf to commission peace officers.

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 30.052, by adding Subsection (a), to authorize the governing board of the Texas School for the Deaf to employ security personnel and to commission peace officers in the same manner as a board of trustees of a school district under Section 37.081, Education Code.

SECTION 2. Effective date: August 31, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.