

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center  
77R7239 YDB-D

S.B. 1429  
By: West, Royce  
Education  
3/27/2001  
As Filed

### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Prairie View A&M University has initiated a multidisciplinary approach to address violence against women on campus by establishing victim services, promoting education, and coalition-building with campus and community partners. Dating violence, sexual assault, sexual harassment, and stalking disrupt a victim's education process. As proposed, S.B. 1429 creates the Center for Relationship Violence Prevention and Intervention at Prairie View A&M University to expand victim services programs, maintain education and awareness, and establish a victim's shelter that would serve Waller County and neighboring communities.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

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

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 87B, Education Code, by adding Section 87.107, as follows:

Sec. 87.107. CENTER FOR RELATIONSHIP VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION. (a) Establishes the Center for Relationship Violence Prevention and Intervention (center) at Prairie View A&M University System.

(b) Provides that the organization, control, and management of the center is vested in the board of regents of the Texas A&M University System (board).

(c) Requires the board to approve the employment of personnel by and the operating budget of the center. Provides that an employee of the center is an employee of Prairie View A&M University.

(d) Authorizes the center to perform certain functions.

(e) Authorizes the center to enter into a cooperative agreement or contract with a public or private entity to perform the duties of the center.

(f) Authorizes the board to accept gifts and grants from a public or private source for the benefit of the center.

(g) Provides that the establishment of the center is subject to the availability of funds for that purpose.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2001.