

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, juvenile justice alternative education programs (JJAEP) are required to have a 180-day operating period, so they cannot operate according to the same calendar year as that used by the school districts of their own service areas. The result is lower attendance than would be the case if both programs were operating in parallel. As proposed, S.B. 189 allows a JJAEP to apply for a waiver of the 180-day requirement.

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 Section 37.011(f), Education Code, to authorize a juvenile justice alternative education program to apply to the commissioner of education for a waiver of the 180-day requirement in the same manner that a school district is authorized by law to seek a waiver of a comparable requirement. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Makes this Act applicable beginning with the 2001-2002 school year.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.