

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Current law allows for guaranteed admission to state funded institutions of higher learning for high school students in the top 10 percent of their class. However, this law does not address special provisions for magnet schools. As proposed, S.B. 752 provides school districts the option to classify host schools students from magnet school students at a school where a magnet and a host program are operated on one campus simultaneously for the purpose of 10 percent automatic admission.

### **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 51U, Education Code, by adding Section 51.8045, as follows:

Sec. 51.8045. APPLICATION OF SUBCHAPTER TO GRADUATES OF CERTAIN SPECIAL HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS. Provides that for purposes of Sections 51.803 and 51.804, a high school magnet program, academy, or other special program conducted by a school district at a high school attended by high school students who are not students of the special program is treated as an independent high school with its own graduating class separate from the graduating class of other students attending the high school if the students of the special program are selected or admitted on the equal basis from among students of or applicants from the entire school district; and admitted independently of and identified as a student body separate from other students of the high school; the students of the special program have a curriculum different from that of the other students of the high school, even if students of the special program and other students of the high school attend some of the same classes; and a student graduating from the special program receives a high school diploma that includes a reference to the special program in describing the high school from which the student graduated.

SECTION 2. Provides that the change in law made by this Act applies only to the admission of undergraduate students of a general academic teaching institution to an academic term or semester for which the general admission application deadline occurs on or after the effective date of this Act. Provides that the change in law made by this Act applies to the treatment of a person who graduated from a special high school program described by Section 51.8045, Education Code, as added by this Act, as an applicant for admission as an undergraduate student of a general academic teaching institution without regard to whether the person graduated from the special high school program before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.

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