

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, pediatric diabetes rates are growing in both Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes. According to the Texas Diabetes Council's January 2001 study, diabetes in children is one of the costliest and most devastating chronic childhood conditions. Diabetes experts have determined that both eating habits leading to obesity and a lack of exercise are associated with the development of this disease. As proposed, S.B. 885 requires that lessons related to healthy eating habits be taught in the health curriculum and requires school districts that offer breakfast or lunch programs for certain students to serve certain foods to aid in the establishment of healthy eating habits in children.

### **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 28.002, Education Code, by amending Subsection (k) and adding Subsection (l) to require, rather than authorize, that a school district develop a diabetes education program to use in the health curriculum under Subsection (a)(2)(B). Requires the Texas Education Agency (agency) to assist a resident of a school district in determining whether the district is in compliance with this section, including the requirement under Subsection (a)(2) that the district offer health and physical education requirements.

SECTION 2. Amends Chapter 33Z, Education Code, by adding Section 33.904, as follows:

Sec. 33.904. SCHOOL BREAKFAST AND LUNCH PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS.  
Requires a school district that offers breakfast or lunch programs for students in kindergarten through grade eight to serve certain foods. Requires the agency, on request, to assist a resident of a school district in determining whether the district is in compliance with this section.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2001.

Makes application of this Act prospective to the 2002-2003 school year.