

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Interested parties contend that provisions of law governing the Department of Information Resources (DIR) in which public junior college districts are considered local government entities and public junior colleges are considered state agencies, which are required to comply with certain DIR rules, create confusion regarding the applicability of DIR requirements. These parties report that, historically, DIR has considered both public junior colleges and public junior college districts exempt from DIR's requirements and that public junior colleges are specifically excluded from DIR's requirements relating to information security.

H.B. 1495 seeks to clarify that DIR's statutory obligations and rules do not apply to a public junior college and a public junior college district, with certain exceptions. Junior colleges must still comply with applicable federal requirements relating to information technology.

H.B. 1495 amends current law relating to the application of the Information Resources Management Act to public junior colleges and public junior college districts.

### **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 Subchapter A, Chapter 2054, Government Code, by adding Section 2054.0075, as follows:

Sec. 2054.0075. EXCEPTION: PUBLIC JUNIOR COLLEGE. Provides that this chapter does not apply to a public junior college or a public junior college district, except as necessary for participation in the electronic government project implemented under Subchapter I (TexasOnline Project).

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2011.