

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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

Texas currently has the one of the highest rates of childhood obesity in the United States. Numerous studies indicate a relationship between obesity and diabetes, and it is reported that annual health care costs are markedly higher for people with diabetes. The parties contend that the more education about diabetes children receive, the more likely they will be to take preventative measures on their own, potentially decreasing their lifetime health care costs.

H.B. 1454 amends current law relating to events to educate students about Type 2 diabetes in certain school 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 38, Education Code, by adding Section 38.028, as follows:

Sec. 38.028. TYPE 2 DIABETES PREVENTION AND AWARENESS PROGRAM.

(a) Provides that this section applies only to a school district with a student enrollment of at least 60,000 that is located in a county on the international border with a population of 800,000 or more.

(b) Requires a school district to which this section applies to hold an event once each school year in which local nonprofit diabetes prevention organizations visit each school campus to educate students in the third through 12th grades about Type 2 diabetes prevention and awareness.

SECTION 2. Provides that this Act applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2013.