

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 1148 will restrict the service of persons on the University Interscholastic League's (UIL) State Executive Committee to no more than two consecutive terms.

Beginning with the advent of the 1989-1990 school year, the commissioner of the Texas Education Agency has appointed the members to the UIL State Executive Committee.

Since that time, some members of the executive committee have been nominated to, and served, more than two consecutive terms because no administrative rule or statute prohibits the commissioner from reappointing the same individuals to over and over. The executive committee is required to be composed of eight current or former Texas public school administrators, with at least one from each UIL conference, and four at-large members.

Public school educators, administrators, UIL sponsors, and athletic coaches have raised significant concerns about some members of the executive committee serving lengthy, uninterrupted terms, and continue to raise questions surrounding the fundamental fairness of a model that allows executive committee members to serve unlimited terms.

It is believed that restricting the number of terms served to no more than two consecutive terms will result in more balanced makeup of the UIL State Executive Committee.

As proposed, S.B. 1148 amends current law relating to term limits for members of the state executive committee of the University Interscholastic League.

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 33.083, Education Code, by adding Subsection (e), to prohibit a person from serving more than two consecutive terms on the state executive committee of the University Interscholastic League.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2023.