BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1314 By: Rodríguez Human Services Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that the different standards applicable to juvenile justice facilities and programs and substance abuse facilities and programs present compliance problems for facilities and programs that provide both juvenile justice and substance abuse services. S.B. 1314 seeks to resolve this issue by requiring the Texas Juvenile Justice Board to set minimum standards for the operation of substance abuse facilities or programs that are juvenile justice facilities or juvenile justice programs.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

S.B. 1314 amends the Human Resources Code to require the Texas Juvenile Justice Board to adopt reasonable rules that provide minimum standards for the operation of substance abuse facilities or programs that are juvenile justice facilities or juvenile justice programs, as those terms are defined by certain Family Code provisions. The bill expressly does not require a substance abuse facility or program operating under such standards to be licensed or otherwise approved by any other state or local agency.

S.B. 1314 amends the Health and Safety Code to exempt a juvenile justice facility and juvenile justice program as defined by those Family Code provisions from statutory provisions governing the regulation of chemical dependency treatment facilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.