

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law exempts libraries operated as a part of the university system or institution of higher education from the normal purchasing requirements set forth for those institutions. These libraries are subject only to the internal policies in the institutions of which they are a part, but this exemption does not apply to junior colleges. S.B. 1363 would authorize the acquisition of library materials by a junior college district.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1363 authorizes the acquisition of library materials by a junior college district.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Chapter 130A, Education Code, by adding Section 130.010, as follows:

Sec. 130.010. ACQUISITION OF LIBRARY MATERIALS. Defines "library goods and services." Authorizes a junior college district to acquire library goods and services in the manner the district considers most efficient for the type of item acquired, notwithstanding any other law governing purchasing by a junior college district.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.