BILL ANALYSIS

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C.S.S.B. 1391 By: Shapleigh Human Services 4/28/1999 Committee Report (Substituted)

DIGEST

Currently, allocation formulas for the disbursement of federal child care funds to Local Workforce Development Areas do not require the inclusion of poverty statistics. Because federal child care money is targeted to help Texas' neediest children, poverty rates should be included with population statistics in child care allocation formulas. C.S.S.B. 1391 sets forth provisions for the review by the Texas Workforce Commission of the allocation of certain funds for child care services

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 1391 sets forth provisions for the review by the Texas Workforce Commission of the allocation of certain funds for child care services.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. REVIEW OF CHILD CARE ALLOCATION FORMULAS. Requires the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) to conduct a review of the child care allocation formulas to compare TWC's current system with a system that emphasizes funding areas with the greatest need for services. Sets forth required evaluation procedures for TWC. Sets forth matters which require TWC's determination. Requires TWC to propose methods that address allocation inequities identified by the review. Requires TWC to identify programs under its jurisdiction which do not consider poverty-based measures in their allocation process. Requires TWC to report required findings and recommendations to certain entities by November 1, 2000. Sets forth requirements for the recommendations.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.

Effective date: upon passage.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

Relating clause.

Amends the relating clause to provide that this Act relates to the review of allocation of certain funds, rather than allocation by TWC.

SECTIONS 1-3.

Deletes existing SECTIONS 1-3, and replaces them with text regarding a review of child care allocation formulas.