BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, many local workforce boards do not define after-school services that take place on a school campus or at a Head Start Center as child care. Consequently, these programs may neither apply for nor utilize local funds spent on these programs as matching funds for the purposes of drawing federal child care funds. There is concern that federal child care funds may be under-utilized because of this provision. H.B. 2769 entitles a child who is eligible to receive child care services funded by a local workforce development board to receive such services while enrolled in either a federal Head Start program or in an after-school program at a school.

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 Chapter 2308G, Government Code, by adding Section 2308.3165, as follows:

Sec. 2308.3165. SCOPE OF CHILD CARE SERVICES. Provides that, in addition to other programs approved by a board or permitted by another law, a child who is otherwise eligible for child care services funded by a board is eligible to receive the services while the child is enrolled in a federal Head Start program or in after-school care provided at a school.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.