

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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S.B. 1543  
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### **AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

S.B. 1652, passed by the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, added Section 51.006, Education Code, which allows institutions of higher education to take funds which may be appropriated for across-the-board salary increases and use them instead for merit raises.

As proposed, S.B. 1543 repeals that section to ensure that if the legislature appropriates funds for an across-the-board salary increase for university personnel, it is used for that purpose and not for merit raises for selected employees.

### **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. Repealer: Section 51.0065 (Applicability of Across-the-Board Salary Increases), Education Code.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2005.