

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 1
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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 1 appropriates money out of available money in the state treasury for the support, maintenance, or improvement of the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and directs the Legislative Budget Board to make necessary adjustments to the provisions in the legislation and the rider provisions contained in S.B. 1, 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005.

H.B. 1 also specifies that appropriations made in Article IX, Section 13.18 of S.B. 1, 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005, from the general revenue fund, general revenue dedicated accounts, and general revenue related funds are reduced by the amount of appropriations made in Section 1 of this Act from the same sources.

H.B. also contains provisions related to the receipt and use of grants, federal funds, and royalties by the commissioner of education and provisions regarding publication of a list of unfunded public education mandates.

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. Appropriates specific sums of money for the Texas Education Agency (TEA) out of any funds in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated.

SECTION 2. Provides that for the purposes of delineating the appropriation authority and expenditure requirements for TEA for the 2006-07 biennium, the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) is directed to make necessary adjustments to certain provisions contained in S.B. 1, 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005.

SECTION 3. Provides that appropriations made in Article IX, Section 13.18 of S.B. 1, 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005, from the general revenue fund, general revenue dedicated accounts, and general revenue related funds are reduced by the amount of appropriations made in Section 1 of this Act from the same sources.

SECTION 4. Sets forth specific appropriations for the 2006-2007 biennium, contingent upon enactment of H.B. 2 and H.B. 3 or similar legislation by the 79th Legislature, First Called Session. Directs the LBB to make all necessary adjustments to public education agencies, strategies, methods of finance, measures, and rider provisions contained in S.B. 1, 79th Regular Session, necessary to implement the legislation. Requires TEA to develop a plan, subject to prior approval of the LBB and the governor, to implement the bill's provisions.

SECTION 5. Sets forth specific authorizations for the commissioner of education in the receipt and use of grants, federal funds, and royalties. Sets forth legislative intent regarding certain education-related contracts. Requires TEA to report on a quarterly basis to LBB and to the governor on grants or earnings received pursuant to the provisions of this rider, and on the planned use of those funds. Provides that any grant or royalty balances as of August 31, 2006, are appropriated for the 2007 fiscal year for the same purpose.

SECTION 6. Sets forth specific reporting requirements of TEA relating to unfunded public education mandates.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. Effective date: upon passage or the 91st day after adjournment.