

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Most regulatory agencies are authorized to issue a cease and desist order against a person or entity that breaks the law. However, the Texas Workforce Commission (commission) is currently not permitted to issue a cease and desist order against a career school that operates without authority unless that school fails to respond to more than one written notice of noncompliance.

H.B. 2371 authorizes the commission to set a hearing on whether to issue a cease and desist order against a person if the person has not responded to more than one written notice regarding noncompliance.

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 Section 132.301(a), Education Code, to delete existing text authorizing the Texas Workforce Commission (commission) to set a hearing on whether to issue a cease and desist order against a person under Section 132.303 (Cease and Desist Order) if the person has not responded to more than one written notice from the commission regarding the person's noncompliance with Section 132.151 (Prohibitions).

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.