BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Current law 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 a result, when money was appropriated by the legislature for across-the-board pay raises, university employees did not receive a raise.

As proposed, S.B. 888 repeals Section 51.006, Education Code, to allow employees of institutions of higher education to receive any across-the-board pay raises that other state employees receive.

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 Increase), Education Code.

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