BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.J.R. 33 proposes a constitutional amendment to give the legislature the authority to permit a school district to create a school security district with the ability to impose an ad valorem tax. The enabling legislation for this is S.B. 509.

S.J.R. 33 proposes a constitutional amendment authorizing school districts to create school security districts and impose ad valorem taxes for crime prevention measures, and authorizes a tax.

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 3, Article VII, Texas Constitution, by adding Subsection (f), as follows:

(f) Authorizes the Legislature to permit a school district to create a school security district and impose a school security ad valorem tax for the purpose of providing crime prevention measures, provided that the school district is required to obtain voter approval of the creation of the school security district and the imposition of a school security ad valorem tax. Authorizes a school security district to be governed in the manner provided by general law.

SECTION 2. Requires that the proposed constitutional amendment be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 5, 2013. Sets forth the required language of the ballot.

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