

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

It has been suggested that statutory language requiring legislative approval for a sale of any part of the original main campus of Texas Tech University may represent an unnecessary restriction that is not in line with the authority of comparable institutions in Texas.

H.B. 2709 seeks to address this issue by removing this restriction, since Texas Tech is the only institution for general academics and health that has this requirement.

H.B. 2709 amends the Education Code to remove the prohibition against the board of regents of the Texas Tech University System selling any of the original main campus of Texas Tech University located in Lubbock, Lubbock County, unless the sale is approved by act of the legislature.

H.B. 2709 amends current law relating to authorization for the sale of certain Texas Tech University property.

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 109.054, Education Code, to delete existing text prohibiting the board of regents of Texas Tech University from selling any of the original main campus of Texas Tech University located in Lubbock, Lubbock County, unless the sale is approved by act of the legislature.

SECTION 2. Repealer: Section 109.0541 (Authorization For Conveyance of Certain Texas Tech University Real Property to Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center), Education Code.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2019.