## **Bill Summary** 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 57<sup>th</sup> Legislature

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## **Bill Analysis**

SB 35 authorizes school counselors to implement a comprehensive developmental school counseling program in the public school districts at which they are employed. They may spend up to 80% of their time providing direct services to students. Coordinating student assessments will not be included in this time. The measure states that comprehensive development programs can include large group guidance or group activities, individual or small group advisement, crisis counseling and referrals, and other activities allowed by the State Board of Education.

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## **Fiscal Analysis**

Permissive. No fiscal impact.

This bill allows schools counselors to implement a comprehensive developments school counseling program in the districts in which they are employed. Counselors may spend 80% of their work time providing direct services to students. Direct services shall not include the coordination of the statewide student assessment system. Defines direct services. Directs the State Department of Education to promulgate rules.