

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

The FS for SB 1379 authorizes a school district board of education to enter into a written contract for student mental health counseling with a person not certified by the State Board of Education as a school counselor or school psychologist if he or she is licensed to practice mental health counseling in the state and has completed record checks. It clarifies that such an individual is not to be considered a “teacher.” The bill also amends the definition of “nonclassified optional personnel” as it relates to the Teachers’ Retirement System to include individuals hired to provide student mental health counseling.

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