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Bill Analysis

SB 1401 prohibits any school district from contracting with any teacher who introduces and teaches lessons related to Critical Race Theory in the classroom or at any function of the public school. The measure authorizes parents or guardians to bring a claim guardian, guardian ad litem, or next friend on behalf of a child against a public school in a court of competent jurisdiction for occurrences when a public school introduces or teaches lessons related to Critical Race Theory. Such claims can claim relief in the form of an injunction enjoining school from introducing or teaching lessons related to Critical Race Theory in the classroom. If the school does not immediately comply with the injunction, parents or guardians may refile a claim for relief that shall name any and all individuals participating, employed, or contracted with the school that are directly or indirectly introducing or teaching lessons related to Critical Race Theory. Persons named in the claim shall be liable for damages of at least \$10,000.00. Such individuals shall make payments from their own resources and may not receive aid from groups or individuals to make such payments. Any evidence of receiving outside aid will result in the individual's employment being terminated for at least 5 years. If the school or named individuals still do not comply, parents or guardians may refile the claim. Individuals named in the claim shall have their employment terminated and permanently may not work with any public school in the state.

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