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Bill Analysis

The CS for SB 1544 prohibits a public school, public charter school, or public virtual charter school from knowingly entering a transaction with an individual or entity that performs abortions, induces abortions, or provides abortions. The measure provides an exception for a hospital that has enacted a policy to only provide abortions when there is a medical emergency and defines "medical emergency." Additionally, the measure directs each school district board of education and governing board of a charter school or virtual charter school to adopt a policy reflecting the prohibition. The State Board of Education must require a board of education or governing board that knowingly violates the bill's provisions to appear before the Board to determine why the violation occurred and how to prevent a violation in the future.

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