HB 959 -- Open School Enrollment by Contract

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This bill establishes a procedure by which a school district or an initiative petition may place the issue of open enrollment by contract before the voters of the district to become effective the following July 1. A two-thirds majority of the voters is required for approval. Private schools that meet certain conditions and public schools that are not in the district of residence may become contractors. The bill specifies how contractors qualify, which students are eligible, how the amount of the contract is to be calculated, when students may return to their district of residence, and how districts may opt out of open enrollment.