

1-1 By: Talarico, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Whitmire) H.B. No. 30  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2021;  
1-3 May 13, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal  
1-4 Justice; May 20, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 6, Nays 1; May 20, 2021, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Whitmire	X		
1-9	Huffman	X		
1-10	Bettencourt		X	
1-11	Birdwell	X		
1-12	Hinojosa	X		
1-13	Miles	X		
1-14	Nichols	X		

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to educational programs provided by the Windham School  
1-18 District in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for certain  
1-19 inmates.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Chapter 19, Education Code, is amended by adding  
1-22 Section 19.0051 to read as follows:

1-23 Sec. 19.0051. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS. (a) The Windham  
1-24 School District shall develop and provide an educational program  
1-25 that includes the curriculum requirements for a high school diploma  
1-26 under Section 28.025 or a course of instruction that prepares the  
1-27 person for the high school equivalency examination to each person  
1-28 confined or imprisoned in the department who is not a high school  
1-29 graduate and is:

1-30 (1) younger than 18 years of age; or  
1-31 (2) eligible to receive special education services  
1-32 under Subchapter A, Chapter 29, and younger than 22 years of age.

1-33 (b) In developing a person's educational program under  
1-34 Subsection (a), the Windham School District shall consider:

1-35 (1) the duration of the person's confinement or  
1-36 imprisonment;

1-37 (2) the person's current level of education;

1-38 (3) the person's educational goals and preference; and

1-39 (4) if applicable, recommendations of the person's  
1-40 admission, review, and dismissal committee.

1-41 (c) The board may adopt rules as necessary to implement this  
1-42 section.

1-43 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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