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H.B. No. 3456

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to inclusion of funds received by certain educational
3 institutions or programs in foundation school program funds for
4 purposes of certain budget reductions.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 19.007, Education Code, is amended by
7 adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

8 (h) Notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of any
9 budget reductions requested by the Legislative Budget Board or the
10 governor, any money received by the district or appropriated to the
11 department for purposes of operating the district is considered to
12 be part of the foundation school program and is not subject to those
13 budget reductions.

14 SECTION 2. Section 30.025, Education Code, is amended to
15 read as follows:

16 Sec. 30.025. FUNDING OF TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND AND
17 VISUALLY IMPAIRED. (a) The funding of the Texas School for the Blind
18 and Visually Impaired consists of:

19 (1) money the legislature specifically appropriates
20 to the school;

21 (2) money the agency allocates to the school under
22 this code;

23 (3) money paid under a contract or other agreement;

24 (4) money the school receives through a gift or

1 bequest;

2 (5) a payment the school receives from a school
3 district under Section 30.003; and

4 (6) the school's share of the available school fund and
5 payments to compensate for payments no longer made from the
6 available school fund as provided by Section 30.003(f).

7 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of any
8 budget reductions requested by the Legislative Budget Board or the
9 governor, any money received by the Texas School for the Blind and
10 Visually Impaired or appropriated to the agency for purposes of
11 operating the school is considered to be part of the foundation
12 school program and is not subject to those budget reductions.

13 SECTION 3. Section 30.056, Education Code, is amended to
14 read as follows:

15 Sec. 30.056. FUNDING OF THE TEXAS SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF. (a)
16 The funding of the Texas School for the Deaf consists of:

17 (1) money the legislature specifically appropriates
18 for the school;

19 (2) money the agency allocates to the school under
20 this code;

21 (3) money paid under a contract or other agreement;

22 (4) money the school receives through a gift or
23 bequest;

24 (5) a payment the school receives from a school
25 district under Section 30.003; and

26 (6) the school's share of the available school fund and
27 payments to compensate for payments no longer made from the

1 available school fund as provided by Section 30.003(f).

2 (b) Notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of any
3 budget reductions requested by the Legislative Budget Board or the
4 governor, any money received by the Texas School for the Deaf or
5 appropriated to the agency for purposes of operating the school is
6 considered to be part of the foundation school program and is not
7 subject to those budget reductions.

8 SECTION 4. Section 37.012, Education Code, is amended by
9 adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

10 (f) Notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of any
11 budget reductions requested by the Legislative Budget Board or the
12 governor, any money received by a local juvenile probation
13 department or appropriated to the Texas Juvenile Justice Department
14 for purposes of operating a juvenile justice alternative education
15 program is considered to be part of the foundation school program
16 and is not subject to those budget reductions.

17 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.