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H.B. No. 801

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring safety vestibules on public school campuses.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 37, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 37.1051 to read as follows:

Sec. 37.1051. SAFETY VESTIBULE. (a) This section applies only to a school district or open-enrollment charter school campus for which, on or after September 1, 2023:

(1) construction begins; or

(2) renovations begin that include a modification to the main entrance.

(b) Each campus to which this section applies must limit public entry to the campus to a main entrance that has a safety vestibule.

(c) A safety vestibule must have one or more interior doors in addition to the main outside entrance door to the campus. All the interior doors must be designed to be locked and unlocked by a means that is accessible only by a school district or open-enrollment charter school employee or campus security personnel.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.