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S.B. No. 2158

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the establishment of an adult education pilot program  
by the Windham School District.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 19, Education Code, is amended by adding  
Section 19.0052 to read as follows:

Sec. 19.0052. ADULT EDUCATION PILOT PROGRAM. (a) The  
Windham School District shall establish a pilot program under which  
one or more nonprofit entities provide an adult education program  
under Subchapter G, Chapter 12, to enable persons described by  
Subsection (b) to successfully complete a high school program that  
can lead to a diploma.

(b) A person confined or imprisoned in the department who is  
at least 26 years of age and not more than 50 years of age is  
eligible to enroll in an adult education program operated under the  
pilot program if the person:

(1) has failed to complete the curriculum requirements  
for high school graduation;

(2) has failed to perform satisfactorily on an  
assessment instrument required for high school graduation; or

(3) has failed to earn a high school equivalency  
certificate.

(c) The district shall enter into a memorandum of  
understanding with at least one nonprofit entity described by

1 Section 12.256, Education Code, to provide an adult education  
2 program under the pilot program. The district shall require the  
3 nonprofit entity to identify each region of this state in which the  
4 entity is able to operate an adult education program under the pilot  
5 program.

6 (d) The district, in consultation with each nonprofit  
7 entity with which the district enters into a memorandum of  
8 understanding under this section, shall identify at least three  
9 schools operated by the district that are suitable to serve as sites  
10 for the pilot program.

11 SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2024, the Windham  
12 School District shall establish and implement the pilot program  
13 required by Section 19.0052, Education Code, as added by this Act.

14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.