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H.B. No. 1628

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the transfer of certain public school students who are children of peace officers.

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

SECTION 1. Section 25.0344, Education Code, as added by Chapter 322 (H.B. 1959), Acts of the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsections (e) and (f) to read as follows:

(b) On request of a peace officer who is a parent of or person standing in parental relation to a student, the board of trustees of a school district or the board's designee shall transfer the student to:

(1) another district campus; or

(2) any other [to another] school district in this state, regardless of whether the sending district and the receiving district have entered into [under] an agreement under Section 25.035.

(e) Notwithstanding any other law, a school district must approve a transfer under this section unless the district or the district campus to which the student seeks to transfer is at full student capacity or has more requests for transfers than available positions.

(f) A school district may not charge a tuition fee under Section 25.038 to a student who transfers to the district under this

1 section.

2 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2025-2026
3 school year.

4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.