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H.B. No. 3657

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the removal of a public school student from the classroom for engaging in certain conduct against a school district employee.

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

SECTION 1. Section 37.006, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) Subject to the requirements of Section 37.009(a), a student shall be removed from class and placed in a disciplinary alternative education program as provided by Section 37.008 for a period of not less than 30 days if the student engages in conduct that contains the elements of the offense of assault under Section 22.01, Penal Code, or harassment under Section 42.07(a)(1), (2), (3), or (7), Penal Code, against an employee of the school district.

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

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