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H.B. No. 5261

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 5261:

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C.S.H.B. No. 5261

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to designating the Windham School District to provide postsecondary education to inmates of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 19, Education Code, is amended by adding Sections 19.012 and 19.013 to read as follows:

Sec. 19.012. POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION. The district and the department shall enter into a memorandum of understanding for postsecondary education programs to be administered by the district.

Sec. 19.013. POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION ADVISORY BOARD. (a) The district shall establish a postsecondary education advisory board to advise the department regarding postsecondary education programs.

(b) The advisory board is composed of members who are relevant stakeholders, including:

(1) a representative of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board;

(2) a representative of the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation;

(3) a representative of the Texas Workforce Commission;

(4) a representative of public institutions of higher

1 education on a rotating basis;

2 (5) a representative from an organization that
3 represents the families of the district's students;

4 (6) a representative of an organization that advocates
5 for the education of the district's students; and

6 (7) a current or former district student.

7 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.