

Amend **HB 2** as follows:

Strike Sections 2A.04, page 69, line 6, through 2A.09, page 73, line 16. Strike Section 2A.17 on page 83, lines 8 through 17.

Add a new Section 2A.04 to read as follows:

SECTION 2A.04. Section 21.207(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The hearing must be conducted in accordance with rules adopted by the board. If the proposed nonrenewal is for a necessary reduction in personnel due to a financial exigency or program change adopted by the board, the hearing may be conducted before a hearing examiner pursuant to rules adopted by the board, provided that the board is provided a transcript of the hearing and proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law before the board makes a final decision on the proposed nonrenewal. The board may use the process established under Subchapter F.