1-1 Pickett, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Zaffirini) H.B. No. 1058 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 4, 2005; April 6, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Education; May 16, 2005, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 16, 2005, sent to printer.) 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 1-6 1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT 1-8 relating to high school diplomas for certain veterans. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 1-9 1-10 1-11 SECTION 1. Section 28.0251(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows: 1-12 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, a school district may issue a high school diploma to a person who: 1-13 1-14 (1) is an honorably discharged member of the armed 1**-**15 1**-**16 forces of the United States; (2) was scheduled to graduate from high school after 1-17 1940 and before  $\underline{1975}$  [ $\underline{1951}$ ]; and (3) left high school before graduation to serve in 1-18 World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War. 1-19 1-20 1-21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 1-22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-23 Act takes effect September 1, 2005. 1-24

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