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H.B. No. 286

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to social security coverage for employees of public school districts.

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

SECTION 1. (a) Not later than December 31, 2007, each public school district in this state not currently participating in an agreement under Subchapter B, Chapter 606, Government Code, to provide social security coverage to all of the employees of the district, shall conduct a referendum by secret ballot of the employees of the district, as required by Section 218, Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 418), to determine whether a majority of the employees are in favor of being included in the agreement of this state with the commissioner of the Social Security Administration or the individual designated by the commissioner to administer coverage of the Social Security Act to employees of a state and its political subdivisions.

(b) If a majority of the employees of a school district vote in favor of entering into the agreement to provide social security coverage, the board of trustees of the school district shall as soon as practicable submit the necessary plan to the state social security administrator to effect the participation of the school district under Subchapter B, Chapter 606, Government Code.

SECTION 2. This Act expires January 1, 2009.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.