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H.B. No. 311

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to parental approval of a student's participation in human
3 sexuality instruction in public schools.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 28.004(i), Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (i) A school district shall notify a parent of each student
8 enrolled in the district of [+

9 [~~(1)~~] the basic content of the district's human
10 sexuality instruction to be provided to the student [~~, and~~

11 [~~(2) the parent's right to remove the student from any~~
12 ~~part of the district's human sexuality instruction]~~. Before a

13 student may be provided with human sexuality instruction, a school
14 district must obtain the written consent of a parent of the student.

15 A request for written consent under this subsection:

16 (1) may not be included with any other notification or
17 request for written consent provided to the parent; and

18 (2) must be provided to the parent not later than the
19 14th day before the date on which the human sexuality instruction
20 begins.

21 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2007-2008
22 school year.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.