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H.B. No. 2126

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the information collected through the Public Education Information Management System.

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

SECTION 1. Section 42.006(d), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) The commissioner's rules must ensure that the Public Education Information Management System:

(1) links student performance data to other related information for purposes of efficient and effective allocation of scarce school resources, to the extent practicable using existing agency resources and appropriations;

(2) contains a transcript for each student that records:

(A) the courses taken by the student and the student's grades;

(B) the identification number of the student's teacher in each class or in each course in a major subject area, as applicable;

(C) the student's scores on national assessment instruments administered by the state or school district;

(D) any disciplinary warnings given and disciplinary actions taken; and

(E) any participation by the student in a magnet

1 school program that has criteria for admission other than the order
2 in which students' applications for admission are received or an
3 admissions lottery; and

4 (3) contains a record of each teacher's training,
5 experience, and continuing education and professional development
6 activities, including:

7 (A) the type of each certification held by the
8 teacher;

9 (B) the name of the educator preparation program
10 the teacher attended, the teacher's major field of postsecondary
11 study, the courses completed by the teacher, and the number of
12 semester credit hours and the overall grade the teacher earned in
13 each of those courses;

14 (C) the number of years of teaching experience in
15 specified grade levels or courses, as applicable, and any
16 experience in an occupation other than teaching and the number of
17 years of such experience; and

18 (D) the teacher's continuing education and
19 professional development activities, including the number of
20 instructional hours, type of instruction, instructor's name, name
21 of the entity providing the instruction, and date completed.

22 SECTION 2. Not later than December 31, 2007, the
23 commissioner of education shall adopt rules requiring school
24 districts and educator preparation programs in this state,
25 including alternative teacher preparation programs, to provide
26 through the Public Education Information Management System the
27 applicable information required by Section 42.006(d), Education

1 Code, as amended by this Act. Rules adopted under Section
2 42.006(d)(2)(B), Education Code, as added by this Act, must require
3 a school district to provide information linking individual
4 students to individual teachers beginning with:

5 (1) the 2002-2003 school year, if the district's
6 information is currently available in electronic form; or

7 (2) the 2007-2008 school year, if the district's
8 information from previous school years is not currently available
9 in electronic form.

10 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
14 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.