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H.B. No. 2136

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to public disclosure of student referrals for services
3 made by counselors in public schools.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 33.006, Education Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 (d) This subsection applies only to a school district with
8 an enrollment of more than 5,500 students that, during the
9 preceding school year, made at least 20 total referrals under
10 Subsection (b)(2) at the middle school, junior high school, and
11 high school levels. In order to provide public disclosure of the
12 types of referrals made under Subsection (b)(2), each school
13 district to which this subsection applies shall include in the
14 performance report required by Section 39.053 a list of each
15 agency, organization, or other entity to which one or more district
16 students in middle school, junior high school, or high school was
17 referred by a counselor for services during the preceding school
18 year and the number of times that a referral was made to each listed
19 agency, organization, or other entity. A school district shall
20 provide the information required by this subsection in a manner
21 that does not identify the specific students involved.

22 SECTION 2. Section 33.006(d), Education Code, as added by
23 this Act, applies beginning with the performance report required to
24 be published under Section 39.053, Education Code, for the

1 2007-2008 school year.

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