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H.B. No. 3171

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the development by the Texas Education Agency of a list
3 of resources concerning Internet safety for use by school
4 districts.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 38, Education Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 38.023 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 38.023. LIST OF RESOURCES CONCERNING INTERNET SAFETY.

9 The agency shall develop and make available to school districts a
10 list of resources concerning Internet safety, including a list of
11 organizations and Internet websites that may assist in educating
12 teachers and students about:

13 (1) the potential dangers of allowing personal
14 information to appear on an Internet website;

15 (2) the significance of copyright laws; and

16 (3) the consequences of cyber-plagiarism and theft of
17 audiovisual works, including motion pictures, software, and sound
18 recordings, through uploading and downloading files on the
19 Internet.

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