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S.B. No. 1017

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to compulsory school attendance requirements.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 25.085(b) and (e), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) Unless specifically exempted by Section 25.086, a child who is at least six years of age, or who is younger than six years of age and has previously been enrolled in first grade, and who has not completed the academic year in which ~~yet reached~~ the child's 18th birthday occurred shall attend school.

(e) A person who voluntarily enrolls in school or voluntarily attends school ~~[after the person's 18th birthday]~~ shall attend school each school day for the entire period the program of instruction is offered. A school district may revoke for the remainder of the school year the enrollment of a person who has more than five absences in a semester that are not excused under Section 25.087. A person whose enrollment is revoked under this subsection may be considered an unauthorized person on school district grounds for purposes of Section 37.107.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.