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AN ACT

relating to a school district policy for responding to a train  
derailment near a district school.

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

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "School Rail Safety  
Act."

SECTION 2. Section 37.108, Education Code, is amended by  
adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) A school district shall include in its multihazard  
emergency operations plan a policy for responding to a train  
derailment near a district school. A school district is only  
required to adopt the policy described by this subsection if a  
district school is located within 1,000 yards of a railroad track,  
as measured from any point on the school's real property boundary  
line. The school district may use any available community  
resources in developing the policy described by this subsection.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.