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S.B. No. 1504

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

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

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

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

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

9 (d) A school district shall include in its multihazard
10 emergency operations plan a policy for responding to a train
11 derailment near a district school. A school district is only
12 required to adopt the policy described by this subsection if a
13 district school is located within 300 feet of a railroad track, as
14 measured from any point on the school's real property boundary
15 line. The school district may use any available community
16 resources in developing the policy described by this subsection.

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