

Amend HB 192 (house committee printing) as follows:

(1) On page 1, lines 5 and 6, strike the recital to SECTION 1 and substitute "Section 25.087, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsections (b-1) and (e) to read as follows:".

(2) On page 1, line 15, strike "or".

(3) On page 1, line 17, between the underlined semicolon and "or" insert the following:

or

(E) spending time with the student's parent or guardian, if the parent or guardian has been called to duty for, is on leave from, or is returning from deployment to a combat zone as a member of the armed forces of the United States, a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States, or the state military forces;

(4) On page 1, between lines 20 and 21, insert the following:

(b-1) The board of trustees of each independent school district shall establish criteria for determining the number of days a student may receive an excused absence for the purpose described by Subsection (b)(1)(E).

(e) In this section, "combat zone" means an area that the president of the United States by executive order designates for purposes of 26 U.S.C. Section 112 as an area in which armed forces of the United States are or have engaged in combat.