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S.B. No. 981

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to a requirement that school districts notify employees
3 regarding entitlement to leave time in circumstances involving
4 assault.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 22.003, Education Code, is amended by
7 adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

8 (c-1) Not later than the last day of the first week of
9 instruction for the fall semester of each school year, a school
10 district shall notify each district employee in writing of the
11 employee's rights under Subsection (b). The notification must
12 appear in bold-faced type using at least a 14-point font size. The
13 notification may be provided electronically or on paper. If a
14 district provides the notification by including it in an electronic
15 or paper version of an informational teacher handbook or other
16 informational handbook, the notification must appear on the first
17 page that immediately follows the table of contents.

18 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2009-2010
19 school year.

20 SECTION 3. 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, 2009.