

AN ACT

relating to the first day of instruction in certain school districts that provide additional days of instruction financed with local funds.

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

SECTION 1. Section 25.0811(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by this section, a [A] school district may not begin instruction for students for a school year before the fourth Monday in August. A school district may:

(1) begin instruction for students for a school year before the fourth Monday in August if [unless] the district operates a year-round system under Section 25.084; or

(2) begin instruction for students for a school year on or after the first Monday in August at a campus or at not more than 20 percent of the campuses in the district if:

(A) the district has a student enrollment of 190,000 or more;

(B) the district at the beginning of the school year provides, financed with local funds, days of instruction for students at the campus or at each of the multiple campuses, in addition to the minimum number of days of instruction required under Section 25.081;

(C) the campus or each of the multiple campuses

1 are undergoing comprehensive reform, as determined by the board of  
2 trustees of the district; and

3 (D) a majority of the students at the campus or at  
4 each of the multiple campuses are educationally disadvantaged.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1555 was passed by the House on April 7, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1555 on May 5, 2011, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 1555 on May 19, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

H.B. No. 1555

I certify that H.B. No. 1555 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 2, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 1555 on May 23, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor