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H.B. No. 1668

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to authority for school districts to provide public notice by posting the notice on the district's Internet website.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 11, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 11.177 to read as follows:

Sec. 11.177. AUTHORITY TO PUBLISH NOTICE ON DISTRICT WEBSITE. (a) If a school district, the district's board of trustees, or an officer of the board is required under state law to publish notice concerning the district in a newspaper, the district, board, or officer may instead post the notice on the district's Internet website.

(b) Notice posted on an Internet website under Subsection (a) must meet any content or deadline or other date requirements established by law or rule for publishing that notice in a newspaper and must meet or exceed any duration or frequency requirements established by law or rule for publishing that notice in a newspaper. The notice or a link to the notice must be posted in a prominent place on the home page of the website.

(c) Notice posted on an Internet website under Subsection (a) is not required to meet any page or type-size requirements established by law or rule for publishing that notice in a newspaper.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.