

AN ACT

relating to school district requirements regarding parental notification in connection with disciplinary alternative education programs.

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

SECTION 1. Section 37.008, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (1-1) to read as follows:

(1-1) A school district shall provide the parents of a student removed to a disciplinary alternative education program with written notice of the district's obligation under Subsection (1) to provide the student with an opportunity to complete coursework required for graduation. The notice must:

(1) include information regarding all methods available for completing the coursework; and

(2) state that the methods are available at no cost to the student.

SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2011-2012 school year.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 49 passed the Senate on April 19, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 2; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 27, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 1.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 49 passed the House, with amendment, on May 25, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 147, Nays 0, one present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor