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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

1 Amend C.S.H.B. 5 by adding the following appropriately  
2 numbered SECTIONS and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill  
3 accordingly:

4 SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. (a) Section 25.083, Education Code, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Sec. 25.083. SCHOOL DAY INTERRUPTIONS. (a) The board of  
7 trustees of each school district shall adopt and strictly enforce a  
8 policy limiting interruptions of classes during the school day for  
9 nonacademic activities such as announcements and sales promotions.  
10 At a minimum, the policy must limit announcements other than  
11 emergency announcements to once during the school day.

12 (b) The board of trustees of each school district shall  
13 adopt and strictly enforce a policy limiting the removal of  
14 students from class for remedial tutoring or test preparation. A  
15 district may not remove a student from a regularly scheduled class  
16 for remedial tutoring or test preparation if, as a result of the  
17 removal, the student would miss more than 10 percent of the school  
18 days on which the class is offered, unless the student's parent or  
19 another person standing in parental relation to the student  
20 provides to the district written consent for removal from class for  
21 such purpose.

22 (b) This section applies beginning with the 2013-2014  
23 school year.

24 SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. (a) The heading to Section 25.092, Education  
25 Code, is amended to read as follows:

26 Sec. 25.092. MINIMUM ATTENDANCE FOR CLASS CREDIT OR FINAL  
27 GRADE.

28 (b) This section applies beginning with the 2013-2014  
29 school year.

1 SECTION \_\_\_\_ (a) Sections 25.092(a), (a-1), (b), and (d),  
2 Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

3 (a) Except as provided by this section, a student in any  
4 grade level from kindergarten through grade 12 may not be given  
5 credit or a final grade for a class unless the student is in  
6 attendance for at least 90 percent of the days the class is offered.

7 (a-1) A student who is in attendance for at least 75 percent  
8 but less than 90 percent of the days a class is offered may be given  
9 credit or a final grade for the class if the student completes a  
10 plan approved by the school's principal that provides for the  
11 student to meet the instructional requirements of the class. A  
12 student under the jurisdiction of a court in a criminal or juvenile  
13 justice proceeding may not receive credit or a final grade under  
14 this subsection without the consent of the judge presiding over the  
15 student's case.

16 (b) The board of trustees of each school district shall  
17 appoint one or more attendance committees to hear petitions for  
18 class credit or a final grade by students who are in attendance  
19 fewer than the number of days required under Subsection (a) and have  
20 not earned class credit or a final grade under Subsection (a-1).  
21 Classroom teachers shall comprise a majority of the membership of  
22 the committee. A committee may give class credit or a final grade  
23 to a student because of extenuating circumstances. Each board of  
24 trustees shall establish guidelines to determine what constitutes  
25 extenuating circumstances and shall adopt policies establishing  
26 alternative ways for students to make up work or regain credit or a  
27 final grade lost because of absences. The alternative ways must  
28 include at least one option that does not require a student to pay a  
29 fee authorized under Section 11.158(a)(15). A certified public  
30 school employee may not be assigned additional instructional duties  
31 as a result of this section outside of the regular workday unless

1 the employee is compensated for the duties at a reasonable rate of  
2 pay.

3 (d) If a student is denied credit or a final grade for a  
4 class by an attendance committee, the student may appeal the  
5 decision to the board of trustees. The decision of the board may be  
6 appealed by trial de novo to the district court of the county in  
7 which the school district's central administrative office is  
8 located.

9 (b) This section applies beginning with the 2013-2014  
10 school year.

