

1-1 By: Thompson of Harris H.B. No. 1952
 1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte)
 1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 29, 2013;
 1-4 April 29, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-5 Education; May 8, 2013, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-6 Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 8, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-18 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-19 AN ACT

1-20 relating to professional development training for certain public
 1-21 school personnel regarding student disciplinary procedures.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 37, Education Code, is
 1-24 amended by adding Section 37.0181 to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 37.0181. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REGARDING
 1-26 DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES. (a) Each principal or other appropriate
 1-27 administrator who oversees student discipline shall, at least once
 1-28 every three school years, attend professional development training
 1-29 regarding this subchapter, including training relating to the
 1-30 distinction between a discipline management technique used at the
 1-31 principal's discretion under Section 37.002(a) and the
 1-32 discretionary authority of a teacher to remove a disruptive student
 1-33 under Section 37.002(b).

1-34 (b) Professional development training under this section
 1-35 may be provided in coordination with regional education service
 1-36 centers through the use of distance learning methods, such as
 1-37 telecommunications networks, and using available agency resources.

1-38 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2013-2014
 1-39 school year.

1-40 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-41 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-42 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-43 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-44 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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