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S.B. No. 47

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the applicability of the Education Code to Head Start
3 programs and the authority of the commissioner of education to make
4 a certain determination regarding those programs.

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

6 SECTION 1. Chapter 4, Education Code, is amended by adding
7 Section 4.003 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 4.003. APPLICABILITY TO HEAD START PROGRAMS. A
9 provision in this title applies to a Head Start program only to the
10 extent that the provision explicitly provides for that
11 applicability.

12 SECTION 2. Section 7.031(b), Education Code, is amended to
13 read as follows:

14 (b) Unless otherwise prohibited by federal law, the
15 commissioner may determine~~[, solely for purposes of the program's~~
16 ~~eligibility to receive federal grant funds, for the purpose of~~
17 ~~technology services and support,]~~ that a Head Start program
18 operated in this state by a school district or a community-based
19 organization serves the function of an elementary school by
20 providing elementary education at one or more program facilities,
21 regardless of whether the Head Start program facilities are located
22 on a school district campus.

23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.