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H.B. No. 171

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to limits on the size of fifth grade classes in public schools.

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

SECTION 1. Section 25.112(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Except as otherwise authorized by this section, a school district may not enroll more than 22 students in a kindergarten or ~~or~~ first, second, third, ~~or~~ fourth, or fifth grade class. That limitation does not apply during:

(1) any 12-week period of the school year selected by the district, in the case of a district whose average daily attendance is adjusted under Section 42.005(c); or

(2) the last 12 weeks of any school year in the case of any other district.

SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2015-2016 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, 2015.