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H.B. No. 243

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the route a school bus takes when transporting a public
3 school student.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 34, Education Code, is amended by adding
6 Section 34.0031 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 34.0031. SCHOOL BUS ROUTES. (a) A school district
8 shall design a route with approved stops to be taken by a school bus
9 transporting a student between the student's residence and school
10 campus. The route designed by the district may not in any manner
11 require a student to cross a highway or roadway between the
12 student's residence and approved bus stop.

13 (b) If during a school year a new student is added to a
14 school bus route, the school district shall update the school bus
15 route as necessary to ensure that the route remains in compliance
16 with Subsection (a).

17 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2015-2016
18 school year.

19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.