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H.B. No. 718

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the number of charters the State Board of Education may
3 grant for open-enrollment charter schools.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 12.101(b), Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 (b) The State Board of Education may grant a charter for an
8 open-enrollment charter school only to an applicant that meets any
9 financial, governing, and operational standards adopted by the
10 commissioner under this subchapter. [~~The State Board of Education
11 may not grant a total of more than 215 charters for an
12 open-enrollment charter school.~~]

13 SECTION 2. Section 12.156(b), Education Code, is repealed.

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