

1-1 By: VanDeaver, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Burton) H.B. No. 1706
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2015;
 1-3 May 5, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Education; May 21, 2015, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 10, Nays 0; May 21, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-8 Lucio	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Campbell	X			
1-11 Garcia	X			
1-12 Huffines	X			
1-13 Kolkhorst			X	
1-14 Rodríguez	X			
1-15 Seliger	X			
1-16 Taylor of Collin	X			
1-17 West	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to reducing paperwork and duplicate reports required of a
 1-22 school district.

1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-24 SECTION 1. Section 7.060, Education Code, is amended by
 1-25 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

1-26 (a-1) The review conducted under Subsection (a) must
 1-27 include a comparison of the reports and paperwork required by state
 1-28 law and the reports and paperwork required by federal law. The
 1-29 commissioner shall eliminate any reports or paperwork required by
 1-30 state law that duplicate the content of reports or paperwork also
 1-31 required by federal law.

1-32 SECTION 2. Section 11.201(d), Education Code, is amended to
 1-33 read as follows:

1-34 (d) The duties of the superintendent include:

1-35 (1) assuming administrative responsibility and
 1-36 leadership for the planning, organization, operation, supervision,
 1-37 and evaluation of the education programs, services, and facilities
 1-38 of the district and for the annual performance appraisal of the
 1-39 district's staff;

1-40 (2) except as provided by Section 11.202, assuming
 1-41 administrative authority and responsibility for the assignment,
 1-42 supervision, and evaluation of all personnel of the district other
 1-43 than the superintendent;

1-44 (3) overseeing compliance with the standards for
 1-45 school facilities established by the commissioner under Section
 1-46 46.008;

1-47 (4) initiating the termination or suspension of an
 1-48 employee or the nonrenewal of an employee's term contract;

1-49 (5) managing the day-to-day operations of the district
 1-50 as its administrative manager, including implementing and
 1-51 monitoring plans, procedures, programs, and systems to achieve
 1-52 clearly defined and desired results in major areas of district
 1-53 operations;

1-54 (6) preparing and submitting to the board of trustees
 1-55 a proposed budget as provided by Section 44.002 and rules adopted
 1-56 under that section, and administering the budget;

1-57 (7) preparing recommendations for policies to be
 1-58 adopted by the board of trustees and overseeing the implementation
 1-59 of adopted policies;

1-60 (8) developing or causing to be developed appropriate
 1-61 administrative regulations to implement policies established by

2-1 the board of trustees;
2-2 (9) providing leadership for the attainment and, if
2-3 necessary, improvement of student performance in the district based
2-4 on the indicators adopted under Sections 39.053 and 39.301 and
2-5 other indicators adopted by the commissioner or the district's
2-6 board of trustees;
2-7 (10) organizing the district's central
2-8 administration;
2-9 (11) consulting with the district-level committee as
2-10 required under Section 11.252(f);
2-11 (12) ensuring:
2-12 (A) adoption of a student code of conduct as
2-13 required under Section 37.001 and enforcement of that code of
2-14 conduct; and
2-15 (B) adoption and enforcement of other student
2-16 disciplinary rules and procedures as necessary;
2-17 (13) submitting reports as required by state or
2-18 federal law, rule, or regulation, and ensuring that a copy of any
2-19 report required by federal law, rule, or regulation is also
2-20 delivered to the agency;
2-21 (14) providing joint leadership with the board of
2-22 trustees to ensure that the responsibilities of the board and
2-23 superintendent team are carried out; and
2-24 (15) performing any other duties assigned by action of
2-25 the board of trustees.
2-26 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-27 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-28 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-29 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-30 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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