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S.B. No. 2062

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to authorizing certain charter holders to provide combined services for certain adult and high school dropout recovery programs.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 12, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 12.137 to read as follows:

Sec. 12.137. CERTAIN CHARTER HOLDERS AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE COMBINED SERVICES FOR CERTAIN ADULT AND HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUT RECOVERY PROGRAMS. (a) This section applies only to:

(1) an open-enrollment charter school designated as a dropout recovery school as described by Section 12.1141(c) if the enrollment of the school consists only of students 17 years of age and older; and

(2) an adult education program provided under a high school diploma and industry certification charter school pilot program under Section 29.259.

(b) Notwithstanding any other law, an entity granted a charter to operate a charter school described by Subsection (a)(1) and a charter to provide an adult education program described by Subsection (a)(2) may, for the purpose of providing services to students enrolled in the charter school and the adult education program, place students, regardless of the age of the students, at the same facility and in the same classroom setting or learning

1 environment, the same cafeteria, or the same activity sanctioned by  
2 the school and the program.

3 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2015-2016  
4 school year.

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