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H.B. No. 374

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to use of compensatory education allotment funding to
3 provide assistance to students at risk of dropping out of school who
4 are pregnant or who are parents and requiring reporting through the
5 Public Education Information Management System.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 42.152, Education Code, is amended by
8 adding Subsections (c-3) and (c-4) to read as follows:

9 (c-3) Notwithstanding Subsection (c), funds allocated under
10 this section may be used to:

11 (1) provide child-care services or assistance with
12 child-care expenses for students at risk of dropping out of school,
13 as described by Section 29.081(d)(5); or

14 (2) pay the costs associated with services provided
15 through a life skills program in accordance with Sections
16 29.085(b)(1) and (3)-(7).

17 (c-4) Not later than January 1, 2018, the commissioner shall
18 adopt rules requiring the Public Education Information Management
19 System (PEIMS) to include pregnancy as a reason a student withdraws
20 from or otherwise no longer attends public school.

21 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017, if this
22 Act receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each
23 house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution.
24 If this Act does not receive the vote necessary to take effect

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1 September 1, 2017, this Act takes effect on the 91st day after the
2 last day of the legislative session.