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H.B. No. 223

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 to reporting through the Public
5 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.