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H.B. No. 966

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of individual graduation committees to satisfy certain public high school graduation requirements.

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

SECTION 1. Section 12.104(b-2), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b-2) An open-enrollment charter school is subject to the requirement to establish an individual graduation committee under Section 28.0258. [~~This subsection expires September 1, 2017.~~]

SECTION 2. Section 28.025(c-6), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c-6) Notwithstanding Subsection (c), a person may receive a diploma if the person is eligible for a diploma under Section 28.0258. [~~This subsection expires September 1, 2017.~~]

SECTION 3. Section 28.0258(e), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e) To be eligible to graduate and receive a high school diploma under this section, a student must successfully complete the curriculum requirements required for high school graduation:

(1) identified by the State Board of Education under Section 28.025(a); or

(2) as otherwise provided by the transition plan adopted by the commissioner to implement and administer the amendments made by Chapter 211 (H.B. 5), Acts of the 83rd

1 Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, replacing the minimum,
2 recommended, and advanced high school programs with the foundation
3 high school program [under Section 28.025(h)].

4 SECTION 4. Section 39.025(a-2), Education Code, as added by
5 Chapter 5 (S.B. 149), Acts of the 84th Legislature, Regular
6 Session, 2015, is amended to read as follows:

7 (a-2) Notwithstanding Subsection (a), a student who has
8 failed to perform satisfactorily on end-of-course assessment
9 instruments in the manner provided under this section may receive a
10 high school diploma if the student has qualified for graduation
11 under Section 28.0258. [~~This subsection expires September 1,~~
12 ~~2017.~~]

13 SECTION 5. Section 39.025(a-3), Education Code, is amended
14 to read as follows:

15 (a-3) A student who, after retaking an end-of-course
16 assessment instrument for Algebra I or English II, has failed to
17 perform satisfactorily as required by Subsection (a), but who
18 receives a score of proficient on the Texas Success Initiative
19 (TSI) diagnostic assessment for the corresponding subject for which
20 the student failed to perform satisfactorily on the end-of-course
21 assessment instrument satisfies the requirement concerning the
22 Algebra I or English II end-of-course assessment, as applicable.
23 [~~This subsection expires September 1, 2017.~~]

24 SECTION 6. Sections 28.0258(l) and 28.0259(e), Education
25 Code, are repealed.

26 SECTION 7. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
27 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.