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H.B. No. 4226

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 4226:

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C.S.H.B. No. 4226

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the operation of the special education continuing
3 advisory committee.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 29.006, Education Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsections (d), (e), (f), and (g) to read as follows:

7 (d) The committee shall provide a procedure for members of
8 the public to speak at committee meetings. The procedure may not
9 require a member of the public to register to speak earlier than the
10 day of the meeting.

11 (e) The agency must post on the agency's Internet website:

12 (1) contact information for the committee, including
13 an e-mail address;

14 (2) notice of each public meeting of the committee;

15 (3) minutes of each public meeting of the committee;

16 and

17 (4) guidance concerning how to submit public comments
18 to the committee.

19 (f) The committee shall develop a policy to encourage public
20 participation with the committee.

21 (g) Not later than January 1 of each odd-numbered year, the
22 committee shall submit a report to the agency with recommended
23 changes to state law and agency rules relating to special
24 education, including a summary of the committee's discussion on

1 recommended changes. The committee shall include in the report an
2 appendix with the committee's current policy on encouraging public
3 participation, as required by Subsection (f), and public comments.
4 The agency shall forward the report to the legislature, accompanied
5 by any additional comments considered appropriate by the agency.

6 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.