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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to the appeal to the commissioner of education of certain actions or decisions of an open-enrollment charter school governing 3 body. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 6 SECTION 1. Section 7.057(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows: 7 Except as provided by Subsection (e), a person may 8 (a) 9 appeal in writing to the commissioner if the person is aggrieved by: (1) the school laws of this state; [or] 10 11 (2) actions or decisions of any school district board 12 of trustees that violate: 13 (A) the school laws of this state; or 14 (B) a provision of a written employment contract between the school district and a school district employee, if a 15 16 violation causes or would cause monetary harm to the employee; or (3) actions or decisions of any open-enrollment 17 charter school governing body that violate: 18 (A) the school laws of this state; or 19 20 (B) a provision of a written employment contract 21 between the open-enrollment charter school and an employee of the open-enrollment charter school, if a violation causes or would 22 23 cause monetary harm to the employee. 24 SECTION 2. Subchapter D, Chapter 12, Education Code, is

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amended by adding Section 12.1041 to read as follows: 1 2 Sec. 12.1041. APPLICABILITY OF APPEALS PROCEDURE. The actions or decisions of an open-enrollment charter school governing 3 4 body are subject to the appeals process provided under Section 7.057. An open-enrollment charter school must comply with a 5 6 decision issued by the commissioner in response to an appeal filed 7 under Section 7.057. SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 8 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 9

10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 12 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.