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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the conditions under which a closed campus may be repurposed to serve students at that campus location.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 39A.113(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  If the commissioner orders the closure of a campus under this subchapter, that campus may be repurposed to serve students at that campus location only if the commissioner:

(1)  finds that the repurposed campus [~~:~~

[~~(A)~~] offers a distinctly different academic program[~~;~~] and:

(A) [~~(B)~~]  serves a majority of grade levels not served at the original campus; or [~~and~~]

(B)  is operated in partnership with a nonprofit organization exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(c)(3), Internal Revenue Code of 1986, that:

(i)  has a successful history of operating a school district campus or open-enrollment charter school serving 10,000 or more students; and

(ii)  has been assigned an overall performance rating of B or higher under Section 39.054 for the preceding school year; and

(2)  approves a new campus identification number for the repurposed campus.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.