By:  Campbell, Hall S.B. No. 947

(In the Senate - Filed February 21, 2019; March 1, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on Education; May 7, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 7, 2019, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Taylor            X

Lucio                X

Bettencourt          X

Campbell             X

Fallon               X

Hall                 X

Hughes               X

Paxton               X

Powell               X

Watson               X

West                 X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the ability of certain students to enroll full-time in courses provided through the state virtual school network.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 30A.002(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  A student is eligible to enroll full-time in courses provided through the state virtual school network only if the student:

(1)  was enrolled in a public school in this state in the preceding school year; or

(2)  regardless of whether the student was enrolled in a public school in this state in the preceding school year:

(A)  is a dependent of a member of the United States military who has been deployed or transferred to, or otherwise currently resides in, this state [~~and was enrolled in a publicly funded school outside of this state in the preceding school year~~]; or

(B) [~~(3)~~]  has been placed in substitute care in this state[~~, regardless of whether the student was enrolled in a public school in this state in the preceding school year~~].

SECTION 2.  This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

SECTION 3.  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.

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