

1-1 By: Thompson of Harris (Senate Sponsor - Huffman) H.B. No. 403  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House March 21, 2019;  
 1-3 March 27, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on State  
 1-4 Affairs; April 1, 2019, rereferred to Committee on Education;  
 1-5 May 7, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11,  
 1-6 Nays 0; May 7, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-20 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
 1-21 AN ACT

1-22 relating to training requirements for a member of the board of  
 1-23 trustees and the superintendent of an independent school district  
 1-24 regarding sexual abuse, human trafficking, and other maltreatment  
 1-25 of children.

1-26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-27 SECTION 1. Section 11.159, Education Code, is amended by  
 1-28 amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsections (c-1), (c-2), and  
 1-29 (e) to read as follows:

1-30 (c) The State Board of Education shall require a trustee to  
 1-31 complete every two years at least:

1-32 (1) three hours of training [~~every two years~~] on  
 1-33 evaluating student academic performance; and

1-34 (2) one hour of training on identifying and reporting  
 1-35 potential victims of sexual abuse, human trafficking, and other  
 1-36 maltreatment of children.

1-37 (c-1) The training required by Subsection (c)(1) must be  
 1-38 research-based and designed to support the oversight role of the  
 1-39 board of trustees under Section 11.1515.

1-40 (c-2) A candidate for trustee may complete the training  
 1-41 required by Subsection (c) up to one year before the candidate is  
 1-42 elected. A new trustee shall complete the training within 120 days  
 1-43 after the date of the trustee's election or appointment. A  
 1-44 returning trustee shall complete the training by the second  
 1-45 anniversary of the completion of the trustee's previous training.

1-46 (e) For purposes of this section, "other maltreatment" has  
 1-47 the meaning assigned by Section 42.002, Human Resources Code.

1-48 SECTION 2. Section 21.054, Education Code, is amended by  
 1-49 adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

1-50 (h) Continuing education requirements for a superintendent  
 1-51 must include at least 2-1/2 hours of training every five years on  
 1-52 identifying and reporting potential victims of sexual abuse, human  
 1-53 trafficking, and other maltreatment of children. For purposes of  
 1-54 this subsection, "other maltreatment" has the meaning assigned by  
 1-55 Section 42.002, Human Resources Code.

1-56 SECTION 3. A superintendent subject to continuing education  
 1-57 requirements immediately before the effective date of this Act is  
 1-58 not required to comply with the continuing education requirements  
 1-59 described by Section 21.054(h), Education Code, as added by this  
 1-60 Act, for any continuing education requirements period that ends

2-1 before January 1, 2021.

2-2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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