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H.B. No. 973

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to school district compliance with certain school safety measures; providing an administrative penalty.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 37, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 37.219 to read as follows:

Sec. 37.219. REPORT OF NONCOMPLIANCE WITH CERTAIN SCHOOL SAFETY MEASURES. (a) The center shall report to the agency if a school district fails to comply with a requirement under any of the following provisions:

(1) Section 37.108(a), (b), or (c);

(2) Section 37.109;

(3) Section 37.207(b); or

(4) Section 37.2121(d).

(b) If the agency receives a report under Subsection (a) of a school district's failure to comply, the agency may impose an administrative penalty against the district in an amount not greater than the amount of the annual salary of the district's superintendent.

(c) The commissioner may adopt rules as necessary to implement this section.

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