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H.B. No. 3062

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to authorizing parents of students enrolled at a
3 low-performing public school campus to petition the commissioner of
4 education for the appointment of a board of managers, alternative
5 management, or closure of the campus.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 39A.112, Education Code, is amended by
8 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2) to
9 read as follows:

10 (b) Notwithstanding Section 39A.101, if a campus has been
11 assigned an unacceptable performance rating under Section 39.054
12 for two consecutive school years, a majority of the parents of the
13 students enrolled at the campus may, at any time, submit a petition
14 to the commissioner requesting that the commissioner order one of
15 the following actions:

16 (1) appointment of a board of managers to govern the
17 school district as provided by Section 39A.202;

18 (2) alternative management of the campus; or

19 (3) closure of the campus [~~If the commissioner is~~
20 ~~presented, in the time and manner specified by commissioner rule,~~
21 ~~with a written petition signed by the parents of a majority of the~~
22 ~~students enrolled at a campus to which Section 39A.111 applies,~~
23 ~~specifying an action authorized under that section that the parents~~
24 ~~request the commissioner to order, the commissioner shall, except~~

1 ~~as otherwise authorized by this section, order the specific action~~
2 ~~requested].~~

3 (b-1) The commissioner shall consider the action requested
4 in a parents' petition under Subsection (b) in determining whether
5 to order the requested action or another permissible action under
6 this subchapter, including ordering the campus to prepare or
7 implement a campus turnaround plan.

8 (b-2) A petition submitted under Subsection (b) must be in a
9 form prescribed by the commissioner.

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

12 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.