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S.B. No. 1001

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the suspension of a student who is homeless from public
3 school.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 37.005, Education Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 (d) A student who is homeless may not be placed in
8 out-of-school suspension. The campus behavior coordinator may
9 coordinate with the school district's homeless education liaison to
10 identify appropriate alternatives to out-of-school suspension for
11 a student who is homeless. In this subsection, "student who is
12 homeless" has the meaning assigned to the term "homeless children
13 and youths" under 42 U.S.C. Section 11434a.

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

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