

AN ACT

relating to approval of school district and charter school partnerships to operate school district campuses and programs and to eligibility for state funding.

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

SECTION 1. Section 11.157, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 11.157. CONTRACTS FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES. (a) The board of trustees of an independent school district may contract with a public or private entity for that entity to provide educational services for the district.

(b) A school district under contract with an open-enrollment charter school to jointly operate a campus or campus program during the 2017-2018 school year and under any renewal of that contract is eligible to receive funding under Section 42.2511 for each student or the portion of each student's school day under the direction of the open-enrollment charter school. The commissioner may adopt rules to determine the portion of funding a school district is entitled to under this subsection.

SECTION 2. Sections 42.2511(a) and (b), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) This section applies only to:

(1) a school district and an open-enrollment charter school that enter into a contract to operate a district campus as

1 provided by Section 11.174; ~~and~~

2 (2) a charter granted by a school district for a
3 program operated by an entity that has entered into a contract under
4 Section 11.174, provided that the district does not appoint a
5 majority of the governing body of the charter holder; and

6 (3) a school district that contracts with an
7 open-enrollment charter school to jointly operate a campus or
8 campus program as provided by Section 11.157(b).

9 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter or
10 Chapter 41, a school district subject to this section is entitled to
11 receive for each student in average daily attendance at the campus
12 or program described by Subsection (a) an amount equivalent to the
13 difference, if the difference results in increased funding,
14 between:

15 (1) the amount described by Section 12.106; and

16 (2) the amount to which the district would be entitled
17 under this chapter.

18 SECTION 3. This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020
19 school year.

20 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 2117 passed the Senate on May 1, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 29, Nays 2; and that the Senate concurred in House amendments on May 25, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 27, Nays 3.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 2117 passed the House, with amendments, on May 22, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 103, Nays 37, one present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor