

Amend SB 282 (house committee printing) on third reading by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Chapter 180, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 180.008 to read as follows:

Sec. 180.008. PROHIBITION ON USE OF PUBLIC MONEY TO SETTLE OR PAY SEXUAL HARASSMENT CLAIMS. (a) In this section, "political subdivision" means a county, municipality, school district, other special district, or other subdivision of state government.

(b) A political subdivision may not use public money to settle or otherwise pay a sexual harassment claim made against a person who is:

(1) an elected or appointed member of the governing body of the political subdivision; or

(2) an officer or employee of the political subdivision.

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Section 12.1058(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) An open-enrollment charter school is considered to be:

(1) a local government for purposes of Chapter 791, Government Code;

(2) a local government for purposes of Chapter 2259, Government Code, except that an open-enrollment charter school may not issue public securities as provided by Section 2259.031(b), Government Code;

(3) a political subdivision for purposes of Chapter 172, Local Government Code; ~~and~~

(4) a local governmental entity for purposes of Subchapter I, Chapter 271, Local Government Code; and

(5) a political subdivision for purposes of Section 180.008, Local Government Code.