H.B. No. 4124

AN ACT

relating to student enrollment in certain special-purpose districts and the allotment under the public school finance system for those districts.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 11.351, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c)  A special-purpose school district established under this section that is operated by a general academic teaching institution, as that term is defined by Section 61.003, may:

(1)  in enrolling students or creating a waitlist for student enrollment, prioritize military-connected students, as that term is defined by Section 25.006(d); and

(2)  enroll a student who:

(A)  is a dependent of a member of the United States military;

(B)  was previously enrolled in school in this state; and

(C)  does not reside in this state due to a military deployment or transfer.

SECTION 2.  Section 48.053(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b)  A [~~For each student who resides in this state and is enrolled in the district, a~~] school district to which this section applies is entitled to funding under this chapter as if the district had no tier one local share for purposes of Section 48.256 for each student enrolled in the district:

(1)  who resides in this state; or

(2)  who:

(A)  is a dependent of a member of the United States military;

(B)  was previously enrolled in school in this state; and

(C)  does not reside in this state due to a military deployment or transfer.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

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  President of the Senate Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4124 was passed by the House on May 14, 2021, by the following vote:  Yeas 126, Nays 19, 2 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 4124 on May 28, 2021, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 4124 on May 30, 2021, by the following vote:  Yeas 110, Nays 33, 0 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 4124 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 26, 2021, by the following vote:  Yeas 31, Nays 0; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 4124 on May 30, 2021, by the following vote:  Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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