By:  Hinojosa (Senate Sponsor - Perry) H.B. No. 4124

(In the Senate - Received from the House May 17, 2021; May 17, 2021, read first time and referred to Committee on Education; May 24, 2021, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 24, 2021, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Taylor            X

Lucio                         X

Bettencourt          X

Hall                 X

Hughes               X

Menéndez             X

Paxton               X

Perry                X

Powell               X

Schwertner           X

West                          X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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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