

Amend CSSB 9 (house committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 11.1511(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The board shall:

(1) seek to establish working relationships with other public entities to make effective use of community resources and to serve the needs of public school students in the community;

(2) adopt a vision statement and comprehensive goals for the district and the superintendent and monitor progress toward those goals;

(3) establish performance goals for the district concerning:

(A) the academic and fiscal performance indicators under Subchapters C, D, and J, Chapter 39; and

(B) any performance indicators adopted by the district;

(4) ensure that the superintendent:

(A) is accountable for achieving performance results;

(B) recognizes performance accomplishments; and

(C) takes action as necessary to meet performance goals;

(5) adopt a policy to establish a district- and campus-level planning and decision-making process as required under Section 11.251;

(6) publish an annual educational performance report as required under Section 39.306;

(7) adopt an annual budget for the district as required under Section 44.004;

(8) adopt a tax rate each fiscal year as required under Section 26.05, Tax Code;

(9) monitor district finances to ensure that the superintendent is properly maintaining the district's financial procedures and records;

(10) ensure that district fiscal accounts are audited

annually as required under Section 44.008;

(11) publish an end-of-year financial report for distribution to the community;

(12) conduct elections as required by law;

(13) by rule, adopt a process through which district personnel, students or the parents or guardians of students, and members of the public may file a complaint and obtain a hearing from the district administrators and the board regarding the [a] complaint that must:

(A) allow a complaint to be filed at any time regardless of when the conduct initially giving rise to the complaint occurred if the complaint alleges a violation of law or board policy that is continuous or ongoing;

(B) unless otherwise provided by law, include:

(i) an initial administrative hearing; and

(ii) an opportunity to appeal the administrative decision following the initial hearing;

(C) unless otherwise agreed to by the parties, provide for a final decision on the complaint not later than 120 calendar days after the date on which the complaint was filed; and

(D) if a final decision on a complaint is not rendered before the 120th day after the date on which the complaint was filed, require the district to immediately render a final decision on the complaint in favor of the complainant;

(14) make decisions relating to terminating the employment of district employees employed under a contract to which Chapter 21 applies, including terminating or not renewing an employment contract to which that chapter applies; and

(15) carry out other powers and duties as provided by this code or other law.

SECTION _____. The board of trustees of a school district shall adopt a process for filing a complaint and obtaining a hearing in accordance with Section 11.1511(b), Education Code, as amended by this Act, as soon as practicable after September 1, 2023.