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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a procedure governing the removal of a book or other media maintained by a public school teacher in a classroom.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter Z, Chapter 33, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 33.915 to read as follows:

Sec. 33.915.  CLASSROOM BOOK REMOVAL PROCEDURE. (a) A school district shall not remove a book or other media maintained by a teacher in a classroom without following the same procedure governing the removal of a library material maintained in the catalog of a public school library.

SECTION 2.  This Act applies beginning with the 2023-2024 school year.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.