By:  Springer S.B. No. 2403

(In the Senate - Filed March 10, 2023; March 23, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Education; April 27, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0; April 27, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Creighton         X

Campbell             X

Bettencourt          X

Birdwell             X

Flores               X

King                 X

LaMantia             X

Menéndez             X

Middleton            X

Parker               X

Paxton               X

Springer             X

West                 X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to required reporting regarding a school district's program for gifted and talented students.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter D, Chapter 29, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 29.124 to read as follows:

Sec. 29.124.  PEIMS REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. Each school district shall include the following information in the district's Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) report:

(1)  the name and contact information of the district administrator responsible for ensuring that the district is in compliance with this subchapter;

(2)  whether the district uses data from an entire grade level to identify gifted and talented students; and

(3)  if applicable, the grade levels for which the district identifies gifted and talented students as described by Subdivision (2).

SECTION 2.  Section 39.306, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsection (d-1) and adding Subsection (d-2) to read as follows:

(d-1)  The comparison provided by the agency under Subsection (d) must include a comparison of college, career, and military readiness achievement between students served in a program for gifted and talented students and students served in other programs.

(d-2)  The report must also include the number of school counselors providing counseling services at each campus.

SECTION 3.  This Act applies beginning with the 2023-2024 school year.

SECTION 4.  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.

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