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H.B. No. 2808

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the finality of public school accountability determinations.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Subchapter F, Chapter 39, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER F. PROCEDURES FOR CHALLENGE OF ACCOUNTABILITY DETERMINATION; FINALITY OF ACCOUNTABILITY DETERMINATION

SECTION 2. Section 39.151(e), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(e) A school district or open-enrollment charter school may not challenge an agency decision relating to an academic or financial accountability rating under this chapter, including a decision relating to a determination of consecutive school years of unacceptable performance ratings:

(1) after the agency has released the district's or school's final academic or financial accountability rating, as applicable, under this chapter for the school year; or

(2) [7] in another proceeding if the district or school has had an opportunity to challenge the decision under this section.

SECTION 3. Subchapter F, Chapter 39, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 39.152 to read as follows:

Sec. 39.152. FINALITY OF RATINGS. The agency may not audit,

1 investigate, or otherwise modify the academic or financial
2 accountability rating assigned to a school district or
3 open-enrollment charter school under this chapter for a school year
4 after the agency has released the district's or school's final
5 academic or financial accountability rating, as applicable, under
6 this chapter for that school year.

7 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to
8 an academic or financial accountability rating assigned for the
9 2023-2024 school year or a later school year.

10 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
14 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.