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S.B. No. 2032

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authorization of certain adult high school charter school programs.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter G, Chapter 12, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 12.2551 to read as follows:

Sec. 12.2551. ALTERNATIVE AUTHORIZATION. (a)  
Notwithstanding any other law and in addition to the other  
permissible methods for establishing a charter or campus under this  
chapter, the commissioner shall, on the basis of an application  
submitted, grant a charter under the program to the entities  
described by Subsection (b) to provide an adult education program  
for individuals described by Section 12.258 to successfully  
complete:

(1) a high school program that can lead to a diploma;  
and

(2) career and technology education courses that can  
lead to industry certification.

(b) The following entities are eligible to submit an  
application under Subsection (a):

(1) the board of trustees of a school district or the  
governing body of a home-rule school district that has entered into  
a contract under Section 11.157 with a nonprofit entity described  
by Section 12.256 to operate the program;

1           (2) a public junior college or public senior college or  
2 university, as those terms are defined by Section 61.003, that has  
3 entered into a contract with a nonprofit entity described by  
4 Section 12.256 to operate the program; and

5           (3) a governmental entity that has entered into a  
6 contract with a nonprofit entity described by Section 12.256 to  
7 operate the program.

8           (c) The provisions of this chapter, including provisions  
9 related to assessment, accountability, and funding, govern a  
10 program authorized under this section.

11           (d) The provisions of Section 12.255 do not apply to a charter  
12 granted under this section.

13           SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
14 a vote of two-thirds of all members elected to each house, as  
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.