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H.B. No. 2919

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the suspension of a public school student for engaging in certain conduct against an employee or volunteer of a school district.

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

SECTION 1. Section 37.005, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsections (a-1), (a-2), and (b-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) The principal or other appropriate administrator shall suspend a student who engages in conduct on or off school property against any employee or volunteer in retaliation for or as a result of the person's employment or association with a school district that:

(1) contains the elements of an offense under Section 22.01(a)(1), Penal Code; or

(2) is otherwise deliberately violent and threatens the health or safety of another.

(a-2) Subsection (b) does not apply to conduct described by Subsection (a-1).

(b-1) Section 37.004 applies to any placement under this section that would constitute a change in placement under federal law of a student with a disability who receives special education services.

SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.