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H.B. No. 2949

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to Celebrate Veterans Week in public schools.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 29, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 29.9076 to read as follows:

Sec. 29.9076. CELEBRATE VETERANS WEEK. (a) To educate students about the sacrifices made by veterans to protect the freedoms enjoyed in this country, the week in which November 11 falls is designated as Celebrate Veterans Week in public schools. For purposes of this subsection, Sunday is considered the first day of the week.

(b) The agency, in cooperation with other state agencies who voluntarily participate, may promote Celebrate Veterans Week through a coordinated program. Nothing in this subsection shall give any other state agency the authority to develop a program that provides instruction unless funds are specifically appropriated to that agency for that purpose.

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