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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the transfer of public school students who are children
- 3 of certain public servants.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 25.0344, Education Code, as added by
- 6 Chapters 322 (H.B. 1959) and 583 (H.B. 2892), Acts of the 88th
- 7 Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, is reenacted and amended to
- 8 read as follows:
- 9 Sec. 25.0344. TRANSFER OF STUDENTS WHO ARE CHILDREN OF
- 10 CERTAIN PUBLIC SERVANTS [PEACE OFFICERS] [SERVICEMEMBERS]. (a) In
- 11 this section:
- 12 (1) "Fire fighter" has the meaning assigned by Section
- 13 <u>614.001</u>, Government Code.
- 14 (2) "Parent" includes a person standing in parental
- 15 relation to a student.
- 16 (3) "Peace [peace] officer" has the meaning assigned
- 17 by Section 1701.001, Occupations Code.
- 18 <u>(4)</u> [7] "Servicemember [servicemember]" means an
- 19 active duty member of the armed forces of the United States, a
- 20 reserve component of the armed forces of the United States, or the
- 21 Texas National Guard.
- 22 (b) On request of [a peace officer] [servicemember who is] a
- 23 parent of [or person standing in parental relation to] a student,
- 24 the board of trustees of a school district or the board's designee

- 1 shall transfer the student to another district campus or to another
- 2 school district under an agreement under Section 25.035, if the
- 3 parent is:
- 4 (1) a peace officer;
- 5 <u>(2) a servicemember; or</u>
- 6 <u>(3) a fire fighter</u>.
- 7 (c) A transfer under this section must be to the campus or
- 8 school district, as applicable, selected by the \underline{parent} [\underline{peace}
- 9 officer] [servicemember] making the request.
- 10 (d) A school district is not required to provide
- 11 transportation to a student who transfers to another campus or
- 12 school district under this section.
- 13 SECTION 2. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
- 14 over another Act of the 89th Legislature, Regular Session, 2025,
- 15 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
- 16 codes.
- SECTION 3. This Act applies beginning with the 2025-2026
- 18 school year.
- 19 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 23 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.