

1-1 By: Hall, et al. S.B. No. 111
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 12, 2024; February 3, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Education K-16;
1-4 May 7, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 1; May 7, 2025,
1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Creighton	X		
1-10	Campbell	X		
1-11	Bettencourt	X		
1-12	Hagenbuch	X		
1-13	Hinojosa of Nueces	X		
1-14	King	X		
1-15	Menéndez	X		
1-16	Middleton	X		
1-17	Parker	X		
1-18	Paxton	X		
1-19	West		X	

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 111 By: Menéndez

1-21 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to reporting by school districts regarding special
1-24 education legal proceedings in which a certain amount of legal fees
1-25 has been incurred by the district.

1-26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-27 SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 44, Education Code, is
1-28 amended by adding Section 44.903 to read as follows:

1-29 Sec. 44.903. REPORTING ON SPECIAL EDUCATION LAWSUITS. (a)
1-30 This section applies only to a due process complaint against a
1-31 school district alleging a violation of federal or state special
1-32 education laws.

1-33 (b) Each month, a school district shall post on the
1-34 district's Internet website and submit to the agency a report
1-35 regarding each ongoing legal proceeding to which this section
1-36 applies for which the district's legal fees exceed \$10,000,
1-37 including:

1-38 (1) the general subject matter of the proceeding; and
1-39 (2) the total amount of legal fees incurred by the
1-40 district for the proceeding as of the date on which the report is
1-41 made.

1-42 (c) A report required under Subsection (b) may not include
1-43 personally identifiable student information and must comply with
1-44 the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20 U.S.C.
1-45 Section 1232g).

1-46 (d) Each month, the agency shall compile and post on the
1-47 agency's Internet website the information reported to the agency
1-48 under Subsection (b) for the preceding month. The information must
1-49 be both aggregated statewide and disaggregated by school district.

1-50 (e) The commissioner may adopt rules as necessary to
1-51 implement this section.

1-52 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-53 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-54 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-55 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-56 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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