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S.B. No. 609

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring independent school districts, home-rule school districts, and open-enrollment charter schools to comply with legally required policies.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 11, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 11.012 to read as follows:

Sec. 11.012. REQUIREMENT REGARDING THE ADOPTION OF A POLICY. Any requirement of law that imposes a duty to adopt a policy imposes a duty on the school district, board of trustees, and school district personnel to implement and act in accordance with the policy requirements.

SECTION 2. Section 12.013, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) Any requirement of law that imposes a duty to adopt a policy imposes a duty on the home-rule school district, its governing body, and school personnel to implement and act in accordance with the policy requirements.

SECTION 3. Section 12.056, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) Any requirement of law that imposes a duty to adopt a policy imposes a duty on the campus charter school, its governing body, and its school personnel to implement and act in accordance with the policy requirements.

SECTION 4. Section 12.104, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

(e) Any requirement of law that imposes a duty to adopt a policy imposes a duty on the open-enrollment charter school, its governing body, and its school personnel to implement and act in accordance with the policy requirements.

SECTION 5. 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.