

1-1 By: Creighton, Campbell, Hinojosa of Nueces S.B. No. 2617
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 13, 2025; April 3, 2025, read
1-3 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 9, Nays 2; May 7, 2025, sent
1-6 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. 2617 By: Hagenbuch

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

1-23 relating to a policy adopted by a school district or
1-24 open-enrollment charter school regarding the expression of dates.
1-25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-26 SECTION 1. Subchapter 2, Chapter 29, Education Code, is
1-27 amended by adding Section 29.935 to read as follows:
1-28 Sec. 29.935. EXPRESSION OF DATES. (a) The board of
1-29 trustees of a school district or the governing body of an
1-30 open-enrollment charter school shall adopt and implement a policy
1-31 requiring the use of the terms Anno Domini (AD) and Before Christ
1-32 (BC) when expressing dates during student instruction.
1-33 (b) A school district or open-enrollment charter school may
1-34 not purchase or select curriculum materials for the district's or
1-35 school's curriculum that express dates in a manner inconsistent
1-36 with the policy adopted under Subsection (a).
1-37 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2026-2027
1-38 school year.
1-39 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-40 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-41 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-42 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-43 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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