

Legislative Preview

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HB 24 - Bullying

- Rep. Guillen
- Educ. Code 37.006
- Go to DAEP if commit offense of Harassment against another student.

HB 164 – Physical and Mental Examination of Child

- Rep. Raymond
- FC 51.20
- Can be ordered at any time while child is in the custody of local JJA or TYC – adds examinations for chemical dependency and ability to refer for treatment.

HB 169 – JROTC in lieu of DAEP

- Rep. Raymond
- Educ. Code 37.001, etc.
- Authorizes school to refer a kid to a JROTC program in lieu of a removal to the DAEP.

HB 170 - Bullying

- Rep. Raymond
- Educ. Code 37.006
- Authorizes removal to DAEP for “bullying” – defined as intentionally causing another student “significant emotional distress.”

HB 195 - Expulsion

- Rep. Walle
- Educ. Code 37.007
- Changes wording in statute from “serious OR persistent” to “serious AND persistent” misbehavior.

HB 224 and SB 242 - Bullying

- Rep. Strama and Sen. Davis
- Basically provides for training on bullying, tracking, reporting, and policies regarding bullying, and transfer of the bully.

HB 350 and SB 719 – Class C tickets at school

- Rep. Walle and Sen. Van de Putte
- CCP 45.0292
- Can order a kid to community service or to tutoring in lieu of fine and CCs. No more than 16 hours per week. Works off \$50 per 8 hours.

HB 408 and SB 61 – Standards for Juvenile Case Managers

- Rep. Walle and Sen. Zaffirini
- CCP 45.056
- Creates minimum standards for Juvenile Case Managers.

HB 409 and SB 209 – Juvenile Case Managers

- Rep. Walle and Se. Zaffirini
- JCM must be supervised by Judge or an Asst. Judge with Jurisdiction under Title 3, TFC.

HB 545 – Statutory Rape

- Rep. Dutton
- PC 22.011 (Sexual Assault) and 21.11 (Indecency with a Child)
- Extends the safe harbor provision from 3 years to 5 years if both participants are enrolled in school and are at least 9th graders.

HB 562 - JJAEPs

- Rep. Berman
- Educ. Code 25.086 and 37.011
- In counties of greater than 125,000 – JJAEP becomes optional. Other changes, too. Take a look.

HB 567 – DL Suspensions

- Rep. Guillen
- In JP Court, Muni Court, and Juvenile Court, the Court can order the parent to provide proof of compliance with mandatory school attendance – if they don't or can't, then the kid gets a DL suspension for a year.

HB 592 – JJAEPs

- Rep. Pitts
- Bumps mandatory JJAEP county size from 125,000 to 180,000.

HB 619 – DAEPs and JJAEPs

- Rep. Dutton
- Requires a course in behavioral modification to be taught in all DAEPs and JJAEPs and specifies that the teacher must have AT LEAST a bachelor's degree in behavioral science.

HB 734 and SB 255 - Truancy

- Rep. Diane Patrick and Sen. Nelson
- Also gives jurisdiction over truancy cases to Constitutional County Courts in counties of 1.4 million or more (used to be limited to 2m, meaning Harris County).

HB 903 – Funding for JCMs

- Rep. Thompson
- CCP 45.056
- Authorizes payment from the Court or the JCM Fund for additional items like training and travel expenses, and for office supplies and operations and maintenance costs.

HB 940 – Improper Relationship between Educator and Student

- Rep. Dukes
- Expands to cover entire school district (even public v. private), and covers participants in educational activities sponsored by the district.

HB 961 – Sealing and Restricted Access

- Rep. Turner
- Lowers age for sealing felonies from 21 down to 19.
- Lowers age for automatic restricted access from 21 down to 17.

HB 968 – Removal/Expulsion

- Rep. Strama
- Adds Aggravated Robbery to the list for removal to DAEP if there's a DPP for it, an adjudication for it, or if there's a reasonable belief in it.
- Adds expulsion for use/exhibit a firearm w/i 300 feet of school.

HB 1059 - Bullying

- Rep. Menendez
- Defines and prohibits bullying and cyberbullying, provides for reporting and investigating bullying, provides for notice to parents.

**HB 1224 and SB 217 – Permissive
expulsion for hacking**

- Rep. Reynolds and Sen. Huffman
- Educ. Code 37.007
- Permissive expulsion for hacking school computers under PC 33.02 (Breach of Computer Security).

HB 1309 and SB 407 - Sexting

- Rep. Craddick and Sen. Watson
- New PC 43.261 Electronic Transmission of Certain visual Material Depicting a Minor
- Creates a Class C, B, A Misd
- Covers minor to minor sexual conduct
- Limits prosecution to this law
- Safe harbor – didn't take photo, tattle
- Counseling (cyberbullying); Excpunction

HB 1348 - Bullying

- Rep. Marquez
- Defines bullying and cyberbullying, provides for policies and procedures and training on bullying in public schools.

SB 42 - Bullying

- Sen. Zaffirini
- Adds cyberbullying.

SB 183 – DAEP/Anti-bullying for Teachers

- Sen. Wentworth
- DAEP removal for 60 days if
 - Publish a threat a/g a teacher, or material associating the teacher with a terrorist, criminal or hate group, or something obscene AND it scares the teacher AND it EITHER hurts the teacher's reputation OR impairs his/her ability to do job OR it disrupts class.

SB 205 - Bullying

- Sen. Whitmire
- Deals with creation of ISD policies re: bullying, cyberbullying, harassment and intimidation in schools.

SB 245 - Bullying

- Sen. Davis
- Provides for training, policies, transfers, etc., re: bullying.

TYC/TJPC Consolidation

- Sens. Whitmire and Hinojosa and Rep. Madden
- Bill not filed yet, but will likely abolish TYC and TJPC and create the Texas Department of Juvenile Justice.
 - Supposed to be Probation-driven.
 - Unclear if it will be made public before it is voted out of committee.
 - Currently being worked on in Lege Council.

Questions?

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