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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO.

- 1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 6 (house committee report) as follows:
- 2 (1) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the
- 3 bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:
- 4 SECTION ____. Section 29.041(3), Education Code, is amended
- 5 to read as follows:
- 6 (3) "Supplemental special education services" means an
- 7 additive service that provides an educational benefit to a student
- 8 receiving special education services under Subchapter A,
- 9 including:
- 10 (A) occupational therapy, physical therapy, and
- 11 speech therapy; [and]
- 12 (B) private tutoring and other supplemental
- 13 private instruction or programs; and
- 14 (C) crisis prevention and intervention training
- 15 for the student's parent or person standing in parental relation
- 16 to the student.
- 17 SECTION . Section 37.001(b-1), Education Code, is
- 18 amended to read as follows:
- 19 (b-1) The methods adopted under Subsection (a)(8) must
- 20 provide that a student who is enrolled in a special education
- 21 program under Subchapter A, Chapter 29, may not be disciplined in
- 22 a manner that results in a change in the student's educational
- /23 placement for conduct prohibited in accordance with Subsection
- 24 (a) (7) until an admission, review, and dismissal committee meeting
- 25 has been held to review the conduct.

- 1 SECTION __. Subchapter A, Chapter 37, is amended by adding
- 2 Section 37.024 to read as follows:
- 3 Section 37.024. ANNUAL REPORT REGARDING EXPULSIONS,
- 4 SUSPENSIONS, AND REMOVALS TO DISCIPLINARY ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION
- 5 PROGRAMS. Not later than September 1, each school district and
- 6 open-enrollment charter school shall prepare and submit to the
- 7 agency an annual report regarding each expulsion, suspension, or
- 8 removal of a student to a disciplinary alternative education
- 9 program that occurred during the preceding school year,
- 10 disaggregated by:
- 11 <u>(1)</u> the type of removal;
- 12 (2) the student's race;
- 13 (3) the student's gender; and
- 14 (4) the student's grade.
- SECTION ____. Section 37.055, Education Code, is amended by
- 16 amending Subsections (a) and (b) and adding Subsections (a-1) and
- 17 (a-2) to read as follows:
- 18 (a) On admitting a student to a school-community guidance
- 19 center, placing a student in a disciplinary alternative education
- 20 program, or expelling a student, a representative of the school
- 21 district, the student, and the student's parent shall develop an
- 22 agreement that specifies the responsibilities of the parent and
- 23 the student. The agreement must include:
- 24 (1) a statement of the student's behavioral and
- 25 learning objectives;
- 26 (2) a requirement that the parent attend specified
- 27 meetings and conferences for teacher review of the student's
- 28 progress; and
- 29 (3) the parent's acknowledgement that the parent
- 30 understands and accepts the responsibilities imposed by the
- 31 agreement regarding attendance at meetings and conferences and

- 1 assistance in meeting other objectives, defined by the district,
- 2 to aid student remediation.
- 3 (a-1) The school district shall provide to the student's
- 4 parent written notice of the meeting at which the agreement
- 5 described by Subsection (a) will be developed and encourage the
- 6 student's parent to attend the meeting. The district shall ensure
- 7 the student's parent may attend the meeting in person or by
- 8 telephone or video conference.
- 9 (a-2) If the student and the student's parent participate in
- 10 the development and completion of the agreement described by
- 11 Subsection (a), the school district shall review and may reduce
- 12 the length of any discipline to be imposed on the student.
- 13 (b) The superintendent of the school district may obtain a
- 14 court order from a district, county, or justice court in whose
- 15 jurisdiction all or any part of the school district is located
- 16 requiring a parent to fully, reasonably, and timely participate in
- 17 the development of [comply with] an agreement [made] under this
- 18 section and to comply with the agreement if the parent receives
- 19 notice of a meeting to develop the agreement under Subsection (a-
- 20 1) and fails to attend the meeting on two separate occasions. A
- 21 parent who violates a court order issued under this subsection may
- 22 be punished for contempt of court or by other appropriate judicial
- 23 <u>remedy</u>.
- 24 (2) On page 4, lines 20 and 21, strike "Subsection (c-1)"
- 25 and substitute "Subsections (c-1) and (c-2)".
- 26 (3) On page 6, line 12, strike "seriously".
- 27 (4) On page 6, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:
- 28 <u>(c-2) On receiving a written request from the student's</u>
- 29 parent or person standing in parental relation to the student, the
- 30 campus administrator or district designee may at the
- 31 administrator's or designee's sole discretion reassign a student
- 32 placed in out-of-school suspension under Subsection (c) to an in-

- 1 school suspension for a period, notwithstanding Subsection (b),
- 2 not to exceed 15 school days if the student's parent or person
- 3 standing in parental relation to the student demonstrates through
- 4 supporting information and documentation that the parent or person
- 5 is unable to provide suitable supervision for the student during
- 6 school hours during the period of the suspension. The alternative
- 7 placement provided by this section may be used only in extenuating
- 8 circumstances and may not be used as a routine replacement for
- 9 out-of-school suspension. The school district shall maintain
- 10 documentation of each reassignment under this subsection,
- 11 <u>including the parent's or person's request</u>, the reason for the
- 12 parent's or person's unavailability, and the supporting
- 13 information and documentation.
- 14 (5) On page 14, line 20, between "program" and the underlined
- 15 period, insert "and rules requiring school districts to provide
- 16 basic professional development training for teachers providing
- 17 <u>instruction</u> in a virtual disciplinary alternative education
- 18 program".
- 19 (6) On page 17, line 19, strike "and".
- 20 (7) On page 17, strike line 23 and substitute the following:
- 21 another person; and
- 22 (3) the district provided notice to the student's
- 23 parent or person standing in parental relation to the student of:
- 24 (A) the results of the threat assessment conducted
- 25 with respect to the student under Section 37.115; and
- 26 (B) the filing of a civil action under Subsection
- 27 <u>(b)</u>.
- 28 (8) On page 18, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following
- 29 appropriately lettered subsection and reletter subsequent
- 30 subsections accordingly:
- 31 () Before the expiration of an order issued under
- 32 Subsection (d) for a student enrolled in the school district's

- 1 special education program under Subchapter A, Chapter 29, the
- 2 school district shall request from the student's parent or person
- 3 standing in parental relation to the student consent for a
- 4 qualified professional to conduct a functional behavioral
- 5 <u>assessment of the student.</u>
- 6 (9) On page 19, lines 5 and 6, strike "Sections 37.001(b-1)
- 7 and 37.007(i), Education Code, are" and substitute "Section
- 8 37.007(i), Education Code, is".