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H.B. No. 4191

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the required public notice of the names of and the
3 requirement that a school district of a certain size interview a
4 certain number of finalists for the position of superintendent of a
5 public school district.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 552.126, Government Code, is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 Sec. 552.126. EXCEPTION: NAME OF APPLICANT FOR
10 SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT. (a) Except as provided
11 by Subsection (b), the [~~The~~] name of an applicant for the position
12 of superintendent of a public school district is excepted from the
13 requirements of Section 552.021[~~, except that the board of trustees~~
14 ~~must give public notice of the name or names of the finalists being~~
15 ~~considered for the position at least 21 days before the date of the~~
16 ~~meeting at which a final action or vote is to be taken on the~~
17 ~~employment of the person)].~~

18 (b) At least 21 days before the date of the meeting at which
19 a final action or vote is to be taken on the employment of an
20 applicant for the position of superintendent of a public school
21 district, the board of trustees must give public notice of:

22 (1) in districts larger in size than a small or
23 mid-sized district as defined by section 42.103 of the Texas
24 Education Code, the names of at least three finalists being

1 considered for the position, if the board of trustees interviewed
2 three people or more during the final round of interviews for the
3 position; or

4 (2) the name or names of all the finalists being
5 considered for the position, if the board of trustees interviewed
6 not more than two people during the final round of interviews for
7 the position.

8 (c) For purposes of this section, a person is a finalist for
9 the position of superintendent of a public school district if the
10 board of trustees interviewed the person during the final round of
11 interviews for the position.

12 SECTION 2. Section 11.201, Education Code, is amended by
13 adding Section 11.201 (b-1) to read as follows:

14 Sec. 11.201. SELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENT. (b-1) In the
15 selection of a superintendent for a school district larger in size
16 than a small or mid-sized district as defined by section 42.103 of
17 the Texas Education Code, the school district must interview a
18 minimum of three candidates for the position of superintendent.

19 SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies with
20 respect to notice of a meeting held on or after October 1, 2009.

21 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.