

1-1 By: Taylor of Galveston S.B. No. 1278
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 3, 2017; March 13, 2017, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Education; May 1, 2017,
 1-4 reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 10, Nays 1; May 1, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-8 Lucio	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Campbell	X			
1-11 Hall	X			
1-12 Huffines	X			
1-13 Hughes	X			
1-14 Seliger		X		
1-15 Taylor of Collin	X			
1-16 Uresti	X			
1-17 West	X			

1-19 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1278 By: Taylor of Galveston

1-20 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-21 AN ACT

1-22 relating to educator preparation programs.
 1-23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
 1-24 SECTION 1. Section 21.045, Education Code, is amended by
 1-25 amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (a-1), (a-2), (d),
 1-26 and (e) to read as follows:
 1-27 (a) The board shall propose rules necessary to establish
 1-28 standards to govern the continuing accountability of all educator
 1-29 preparation programs based on the following information that is
 1-30 disaggregated with respect to race, sex, and ethnicity:
 1-31 (1) except as provided by Subsections (a-1) and (a-2),
 1-32 results of the certification examinations prescribed under Section
 1-33 21.048(a) and required for certification in a subject area in which
 1-34 a candidate has completed or is completing student teaching or an
 1-35 internship or practicum;
 1-36 (2) performance based on the appraisal system for
 1-37 beginning teachers adopted by the board;
 1-38 (3) achievement, including improvement in
 1-39 achievement, of students taught by beginning teachers for the first
 1-40 three years following certification, to the extent practicable;
 1-41 (4) compliance with board requirements regarding the
 1-42 frequency, duration, and quality of structural guidance and ongoing
 1-43 support provided by field supervisors to candidates completing
 1-44 student teaching, clinical teaching, or an internship, provided
 1-45 that the board:
 1-46 (A) must permit a program to comply with at least
 1-47 three of any field supervisor visit requirements through visits
 1-48 provided by video, the Internet, or another remote technological
 1-49 method if the program also provides at least two in-person visits;
 1-50 and
 1-51 (B) may not require more than five support visits
 1-52 by a field supervisor during the course of an internship; and
 1-53 (5) results from a teacher satisfaction survey,
 1-54 developed by the board with stakeholder input, of new teachers
 1-55 performed at the end of the teacher's first year of teaching.
 1-56 (a-1) At least two unsuccessful attempts by a candidate to
 1-57 perform satisfactorily on a content examination required for
 1-58 certification in a subject area in which the candidate serves as a
 1-59 teacher of record must be excluded for purposes of Subsection
 1-60 (a)(1) if the subject area is determined by the agency, based on
 1-61 information maintained by the agency and subject to approval by the

2-1 United States Department of Education, to be a teacher shortage
2-2 area.

2-3 (a-2) At least one unsuccessful attempt by a candidate to
2-4 perform satisfactorily on a content examination required for
2-5 certification in a subject area in which the candidate serves as a
2-6 teacher of record must be excluded for purposes of Subsection
2-7 (a)(1) if the subject area is not determined to be a teacher
2-8 shortage area as described by Subsection (a-1).

2-9 (d) Subject to Subsection (e), a video or audio recording of
2-10 a classroom recorded for purposes of a field supervisor visit
2-11 described by Subsection (a)(4)(A) is confidential, may only be used
2-12 for teacher training by an educator preparation program, and may
2-13 only be viewed by the candidate recorded, a school district
2-14 employee with a supervisory role with respect to the candidate, an
2-15 employee of the educator preparation program, or another person
2-16 authorized by law.

2-17 (e) Subsection (d) does not limit the access of a student's
2-18 parent to a record regarding the student under the Family
2-19 Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20 U.S.C. Section
2-20 1232g) or other law.

2-21 SECTION 2. Section 21.051(b), Education Code, is amended to
2-22 read as follows:

2-23 (b) Before a school district may employ a candidate for
2-24 certification as a teacher of record, the candidate must complete
2-25 at least 15 hours of field-based experience, which may occur after
2-26 the candidate's admission to an educator preparation program or
2-27 during the two years preceding admission. The candidate may
2-28 satisfy the experience requirement through serving as a substitute
2-29 teacher or teacher's aide for at least five school days or through
2-30 other experience requiring the candidate's active engagement in
2-31 instructional or educational activities. The experience must be
2-32 obtained ~~[in which the candidate is actively engaged in~~
2-33 ~~instructional or educational activities under supervision]~~ at:

2-34 (1) a public school campus accredited or approved for
2-35 the purpose by the agency; or

2-36 (2) a private school recognized or approved for the
2-37 purpose by the agency.

2-38 SECTION 3. Section 26.009(b), Education Code, is amended to
2-39 read as follows:

2-40 (b) An employee of a school district is not required to
2-41 obtain the consent of a child's parent before the employee may make
2-42 a videotape of a child or authorize the recording of a child's voice
2-43 if the videotape or voice recording is to be used only for:

2-44 (1) purposes of safety, including the maintenance of
2-45 order and discipline in common areas of the school or on school
2-46 buses;

2-47 (2) a purpose related to a cocurricular or
2-48 extracurricular activity;

2-49 (3) a purpose related to regular classroom
2-50 instruction;

2-51 (4) media coverage of the school; ~~[or]~~

2-52 (5) a purpose related to the promotion of student
2-53 safety under Section 29.022; or

2-54 (6) a purpose related to the provision of support to a
2-55 beginning teacher by a field supervisor under Section 21.045.

2-56 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect only if a specific
2-57 appropriation for the Act is provided in a general appropriations
2-58 act of the 85th Legislature. Any portion of this Act that does not
2-59 require a specific appropriation for implementation takes effect
2-60 immediately, provided that this Act receives the vote necessary for
2-61 immediate effect.

2-62 SECTION 5. Subject to Section 4 of this Act, this Act takes
2-63 effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the
2-64 members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article
2-65 III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote
2-66 necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1,
2-67 2017.

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