

1-1 By: VanDeaver, Guillen (Senate Sponsor - Hughes) H.B. No. 330
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House March 21, 2019;
 1-3 March 27, 2019, read first time and referred to Committee on
 1-4 Education; May 14, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote:
 1-5 Yeas 11, Nays 0; May 14, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-7 Taylor	X			
1-8 Lucio	X			
1-9 Bettencourt	X			
1-10 Campbell	X			
1-11 Fallon	X			
1-12 Hall	X			
1-13 Hughes	X			
1-14 Paxton	X			
1-15 Powell	X			
1-16 Watson	X			
1-17 West	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to excluding certain students from the computation of
 1-22 dropout and completion rates for purposes of public school
 1-23 accountability.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 39.053(g-1), Education Code, is amended
 1-26 to read as follows:

1-27 (g-1) In computing dropout and completion rates such as high
 1-28 school graduation rates under Subsection (c)(1)(B)(ix), the
 1-29 commissioner shall exclude:

1-30 (1) students who are ordered by a court to attend a
 1-31 high school equivalency certificate program but who have not yet
 1-32 earned a high school equivalency certificate;

1-33 (2) students who were previously reported to the state
 1-34 as dropouts, including a student who is reported as a dropout,
 1-35 reenrolls, and drops out again, regardless of the number of times of
 1-36 reenrollment and dropping out;

1-37 (3) students in attendance who are not in membership
 1-38 for purposes of average daily attendance;

1-39 (4) students whose initial enrollment in a school in
 1-40 the United States in grades 7 through 12 was as an unschooled asylee
 1-41 or refugee as defined by Section 39.027(a-1);

1-42 (5) students who are detained at a county
 1-43 pre-adjudication or post-adjudication juvenile detention facility
 1-44 and:

1-45 (A) in the district exclusively as a function of
 1-46 having been detained at the facility but are otherwise not students
 1-47 of the district in which the facility is located; or

1-48 (B) provided services by an open-enrollment
 1-49 charter school exclusively as the result of having been detained at
 1-50 the facility; ~~and~~

1-51 (6) students who are incarcerated in state jails and
 1-52 federal penitentiaries as adults and as persons certified to stand
 1-53 trial as adults; and

1-54 (7) students who have suffered a condition, injury, or
 1-55 illness that requires substantial medical care and leaves the
 1-56 student:

1-57 (A) unable to attend school; and

1-58 (B) assigned to a medical or residential
 1-59 treatment facility.

1-60 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020
 1-61 school year.

2-1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-5 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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