

1-1 By: West S.B. No. 226
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 12, 2024; February 3, 2025,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Education K-16;
1-4 April 7, 2025, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11,
1-5 Nays 0; April 7, 2025, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Creighton	X		
1-9	Campbell	X		
1-10	Bettencourt	X		
1-11	Hagenbuch	X		
1-12	Hinojosa of Nueces	X		
1-13	King	X		
1-14	Menéndez	X		
1-15	Middleton	X		
1-16	Parker	X		
1-17	Paxton	X		
1-18	West	X		

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

1-21 relating to establishing residency for children who are the subject
1-22 of parental child safety placement agreements for purposes of
1-23 admission into public schools.

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

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 25.001, Education Code, is amended by
1-26 adding Subsection (c-3) to read as follows:

1-27 (c-3) The parent or guardian of a child who is the subject of
1-28 a parental child safety placement agreement under Section 264.902,
1-29 Family Code, may establish residency for purposes of Subsection (b)
1-30 by providing to the school district a copy of a letter from the
1-31 Department of Family and Protective Services indicating that the
1-32 child is the subject of such an agreement and that the address of
1-33 the child's residence during the agreement is in the district.

1-34 SECTION 2. Section 264.902, Family Code, is amended by
1-35 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

1-36 (a-1) For a school-age child, a parental child safety
1-37 placement agreement must include a letter provided by the
1-38 department that contains the address of the child's residence
1-39 during the parental child safety placement and the following
1-40 language: "THIS LETTER SERVES AS PROOF OF RESIDENCE FOR PURPOSES OF
1-41 THE ENROLLMENT OF THE ABOVE-NAMED CHILD OR CHILDREN IN A PUBLIC
1-42 SCHOOL IN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OR GEOGRAPHIC AREA IN WHICH THE CHILD
1-43 OR CHILDREN RESIDE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 25.001(C-3),
1-44 EDUCATION CODE."

1-45 SECTION 3. (a) Section 25.001, Education Code, as amended
1-46 by this Act, applies beginning with the 2025-2026 school year.

1-47 (b) Section 264.902, Family Code, as amended by this Act,
1-48 applies only to a parental child safety placement agreement
1-49 executed on or after the effective date of this Act. A parental
1-50 child safety placement agreement executed before the effective date
1-51 of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the
1-52 agreement was executed, and the former law is continued in effect
1-53 for that purpose.

1-54 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-55 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-56 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-57 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-58 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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