

## **The House Committee on Public Education**

85th Legislature

May 24, 2018

10:00 a.m.

E2.028

Pursuant to a notice posted on May 15, 2018, the House Committee on Public Education met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Huberty, at 10:18 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Huberty; Bernal; Allen; Bohac; Gooden; Koop; Meyer; and VanDeaver.

A quorum was present.

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The committee discussed the recent shooting at Santa Fe High School.

The committee considered the following interim charge:

Examine research-based options for evaluating student achievement beyond standardized test scores, including adaptive and portfolio assessments. Examine the scope of the current Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) in grades with the state assessment, including the format, assessment calendar, and the limits of instructional days, if any. Determine if it is appropriate to limit TEKS to readiness standards that can be taught in less than the school year. Review current Student Success Initiative testing and make recommendations on its continuation or repeal. Review the ability of the state to waive standardized testing for students with significant cognitive disabilities.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

(Representative Bernal in chair.)

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(Representative Bernal in chair.)

The committee considered the following interim charge:

Examine programs in public schools that have proven results meeting the needs of and improving student achievement for students with disabilities, with an emphasis on programs specializing in autism, dysgraphia, and dyslexia. Recommend ways to support and scale innovative programs for these students, including providing supplemental services, or incentivizing public-private partnerships or inter district and charter school collaborations. Monitor the implementation and funding for the pilot programs authorized in H.B. 21 (85R) and review the Texas Education Agency's compliance with S.B. 160 (85R), which prohibits special education student caps.

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(Representative VanDeaver in chair.)

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At 4:22 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

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Rep. Huberty, Chair

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Amy Peterson, Clerk