

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 525
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Interested parties contend that creating a military student identifier for students to be counted and recorded through the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) would provide lawmakers and educators with essential data needed to make reality-based and informed decisions, allow educational institutions to monitor critical elements of education success for children who are dependents of military personnel, and show the state's commitment to military personnel and their children. H.B. 525 seeks to provide for the collection of data relating to military-connected students through PEIMS.

H.B. 525 amends current law relating to the collection of data relating to military-connected students through the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS).

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 25.006, Education Code, by adding Subsections (c) and (d), as follows:

(c) Requires the Texas Education Agency (TEA) to collect data each year from school districts and open-enrollment charter schools through the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) relating to the enrollment of military-connected students. Provides that the data relating to the enrollment of military-connected students under this section is required to include the number of active duty military-connected students and the number of National Guard or reserve military-connected students enrolled in the school district or open-enrollment charter school on a date at the beginning of the school year specified by TEA and a date at the end of the school year specified by TEA and is prohibited from being used for purposes of determining a campus or district performance rating under Section 39.054 (Methods and Standards for Evaluating Performance).

(d) Defines, in this section, "military-connected student" to mean a student enrolled in a school district or open-enrollment charter school who is a dependent of a member of the United States military serving in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard on active duty; the Texas National Guard; or a reserve force of the United States military.

SECTION 2. Provides that this Act applies beginning with the 2013-2014 school year.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2013.