



Minutes of the Palo Pinto I.S.D. Board of Trustees meeting in Regular Meeting, November 11, 2025

Members Present: Bud Price-President, Brad Connelly-Vice-President, Teresa Medlin-Secretary, & Cody Cloud

Members Absent: Lori Henderson

Professional Staff: Wendell Barker-Superintendent, Natalie Rogers-Principal

Quorum was present. The meeting was called to order by Bud Price, President at 6:01pm. Wendell Barker, Superintendent, certified the provisions of Article 6252-17, Civil Statutes as amended by the 63rd Legislature. Special Session has been complied with regard to public notice of the meeting.

Open Public Forum

Consent Agenda

- Board Minutes approval was motioned by Cody Cloud, seconded by Brad Connelly and approved unanimously.
- Bill payment approval was motioned by Cody Cloud, seconded by Brad Connelly and approved unanimously.
- The financial reports approval was motioned by Cody Cloud, seconded by Brad Connelly and approved unanimously.

Business Items

- Motion by Cody Cloud, seconded by Teresa Medlin and approved unanimously to approve employee retention incentive payment
- Motion by Teresa Medlin, seconded by Brad Connelly and approved unanimously to approve participation in the Region 10 Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative as presented.
- Motion by Teresa Medlin, seconded by Brad Connelly and approved unanimously to approve resolution informing the SHAC of District intention to request waiver from Summer Feeding Program as presented
- Motion by Cody Cloud, seconded by Brad Connelly and approved unanimously to approve the cancellation of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees for December 2025, pending there are not any items that arise requiring a December meeting.
- Motion by Cody Cloud, seconded by Brad Connelly, and approved unanimously to approve the secure vestibule/security upgrades, per estimate(s) and per CH(LOCAL), as presented
- Motion by Cody Cloud, seconded by Brad Connelly, and approved unanimously to approve the vendor(s) for the secure vestibule/security upgrades, per estimate(s) and per CH(LEGAL and LOCAL), as presented
- Motion by Cody Cloud, seconded by Brad Connelly, and approved unanimously to adopt Board Policy Update 126 as presented relating to the following (LOCAL) policies:
 - i. **BE(LOCAL):** BOARD MEETINGS
 - ii. **BED(LOCAL):** BOARD MEETINGS - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
 - iii. **CJ(LOCAL):** CONTRACTED SERVICES
 - iv. **CJA(LOCAL):** CONTRACTED SERVICES - BACKGROUND CHECKS AND REQUIRED REPORTING
 - v. **CLE(LOCAL):** BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT – REQUIRED DISPLAYS
 - vi. **CQB(LOCAL):** TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES - CYBERSECURITY
 - vii. **CQD(LOCAL):** TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES - ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
 - viii. **CSA(LOCAL):** FACILITY STANDARDS - SAFETY AND SECURITY
 - ix. **CV(LOCAL):** FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION
 - x. **DBD(LOCAL):** EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS – CONFLICT OF INTEREST
 - xi. **DEC(LOCAL):** COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS – LEAVES AND ABSENCES
 - xii. **DFBB(LOCAL):** TERM CONTRACTS - NONRENEWAL
 - xiii. **DGBA(LOCAL):** PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS - EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES
 - xiv. **DH(LOCAL):** EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT
 - xv. **EED(LOCAL):** INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS – LESSON PLANS
 - xvi. **EFA(LOCAL):** INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES - INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
 - xvii. **EHBAF(LOCAL):** SPECIAL EDUCATION - VIDEO/AUDIO MONITORING
 - xviii. **EIA(LOCAL):** ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT – GRADING/PROGRESS REPORTS TO PARENTS
 - xix. **FA(LOCAL):** PARENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
 - xx. **FEF(LOCAL):** ATTENDANCE - RELEASED TIME
 - xxi. **FFAC(LOCAL):** WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES – MEDICAL TREATMENT
 - xxii. **FFB(LOCAL):** STUDENT WELFARE - CRISIS INTERVENTION
 - xxiii. **FFF(LOCAL):** STUDENT WELFARE - STUDENT SAFETY
 - xxiv. **FFG(LOCAL):** STUDENT WELFARE - CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT
 - xxv. **FNG(LOCAL):** STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES – STUDENT AND PARENT COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES
 - xxvi. **FO(LOCAL):** STUDENT DISCIPLINE
 - xxvii. **GF(LOCAL):** PUBLIC COMPLAINTS
 - xxviii. **GKA(LOCAL):** COMMUNITY RELATIONS – CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES
- There was no closed session.

Communications and Reports

- Board Training Hour Requirements Overview – Superintendent
- Enrollment – Principal
- Instruction -- Principal
- Other – Superintendent
 - November 3, 2025 – annual financial audit by Snow, Garrett, & Williams
 - November 10, 2025 – Veteran’s Day Program
 - November TBD – Board Training: Update to the TEC
 - November 20, 2025 -- Community Thanksgiving lunch
 - November 24-28, 2025 – Holiday break
 - December 15, 2025 – Christmas Program 6:00pm
 - December 22, 2025-January 2, 2026 -- Holiday break
 - January 19, 2026 – MLK, Jr. School Holiday
 - January 20, 2026 -- Board Meeting, 6:00pm
 - Board appreciation

Motion by Cody Cloud, seconded by Brad Connelly and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:32pm.

Bud Price, President

Teresa Medlin, Secretary

Board Approval – January 20, 2026

Attached: TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 126 [Instruction Sheet](#) & [Explanatory Notes](#)

*Unanimously means that all trustees who were present at the meeting voted in favor of the motion/item.

Instruction Sheet

TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 126

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Explanatory Notes

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ATTN(NOTE) GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THIS UPDATE

Please note:

Changes at Update 126 are based almost exclusively on legislation from the 89th Regular Legislative Session. Please note that documents provided in the legal framework are not adopted by the board.

Unless otherwise noted, references to legislative bills throughout these explanatory notes refer to Senate Bills (SB), House Bills (HB), or House Concurrent Resolutions (HCR) from the 89th Regular Legislative Session. All referenced bills have already gone into effect unless otherwise noted.

TASB Policy Service hosted and recorded a webinar to review the content of Update 126. That recorded webinar is available with your Update 126 materials on Policy Online.

AE(LEGAL) EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY

HB 2 updated the existing goals of education and added an additional two.

AF(LEGAL) INNOVATION DISTRICTS

The ability for a district to exempt itself from certain laws through a District of Innovation plan was impacted by SB 12, HB 2, and HB 6. SB 571 amended and redesignated the requirements related to termination of a district's designation as a District of Innovation.

AG(LEGAL) HOME-RULE DISTRICTS

SB 571 amended the language at Education Code 12.0271 and redesignated material from Education Code 22.085 and 22.092. Changes to the legal framework have been made accordingly.

AIA(LEGAL) ACCOUNTABILITY: ACCREDITATION AND PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

An Appeal and Revision section has been added to reflect changes in 19 Administrative Code 97.1002.

AIB(LEGAL) ACCOUNTABILITY: PERFORMANCE REPORTING

A section addressing the Performance of Students Receiving Special Education Services has been added to reflect changes from HB 2.

AIC(LEGAL) ACCOUNTABILITY: INTERVENTIONS AND SANCTIONS

The section on Intervention Programs has been amended to reflect changes from HB 2.

AIE(LEGAL) ACCOUNTABILITY: INVESTIGATIONS

SB 571 added a reason the commissioner is authorized to conduct a special investigation.

B(LEGAL) LOCAL GOVERNANCE

The section B table of contents has been revised to add the new code BT, Prohibition on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Activities.

BBA(LEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: ELIGIBILITY/QUALIFICATIONS

Registration as a Sex Offender has been added under Ineligibility in response to HB 3629, which prohibits an individual who must register as a sex offender from serving as a trustee.

BBB(LEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: ELECTIONS

The board may adopt a resolution to change the length of terms of trustees no later than December 31, 2030, and may change its election date to the November uniform election date in accordance with HB 3546.

BBBA(LEGAL) ELECTIONS: CONDUCTING ELECTIONS

Electioneering may not be conducted within 20 feet of a parking space designated for curbside voting in accordance with HB 521.

BBD(LEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: TRAINING AND ORIENTATION

Revisions throughout are due to adopted amendments to 19 Administrative Code 61.1 related to board member training.

BBE(LEGAL) BOARD MEMBERS: AUTHORITY

A section relating to access to information by board members under the Public Information Act has been added pursuant to HB 4310.

BE(LEGAL) BOARD MEETINGS

SB 413 requires the recording of all board meetings. SB 413 also added language regarding inclusion in board meeting minutes of each board member's vote on any item and a requirement to post on the district's website any resolution adopted by the board. HB 1522 changed the required posting time for board agendas from 72 hours to 3 business days.

BE(LOCAL) BOARD MEETINGS

Several recommended revisions have been made to this policy on board meetings. SB 12 prompted new language at Meeting Place and Time indicating that board meetings will be held outside of typical work hours. Language at Notice to Members has been adjusted to reflect HB 1522, which requires board agendas to be posted for three business days, rather than 72 hours, before the meeting. This recommended revision appropriately adjusts when the notice of the meeting will be provided to board members.

At Deadline, the recommended revisions are also in response to HB 1522. We offer for your consideration language requiring that agenda items be submitted 10 calendar days before a meeting. This deadline would provide the district sufficient time to compile items and post an agenda by the statutory deadline. If the district would like to adjust the deadline, please contact your policy consultant.

SB 413 requires roll call voting, so the language at Record Vote has been revised accordingly. A paragraph in the Minutes section has been removed, as the statement is true for all district records and it is not necessary to separately address retention in this policy. Please refer to CPC(LOCAL) and your district's record retention procedures.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

BEC(LEGAL) BOARD MEETINGS: CLOSED MEETINGS

Trustees may now address matters of cybersecurity and critical infrastructure facilities in closed meetings, in accordance with HB 3112.

BED(LEGAL) BOARD MEETINGS: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

HB 5238 amended the offense of disruption of a meeting to include virtual meetings and electronic disturbances like hacking.

BED(LOCAL) BOARD MEETINGS: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Recommended revisions comply with the SB 12 requirement that public comment occur at the beginning of board meetings.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

BF(LEGAL) BOARD POLICIES

A Compliance section has been added pursuant to SB 12's requirement that districts must implement and comply with policies the district is required to adopt.

BJA(LEGAL) SUPERINTENDENT: QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES

Provisions regarding required certifications to TEA have been added to this policy. Information on the donot-hire registry are in accordance with HB 2. SB 12 requires board approval of the superintendent's certification relating to diversity, equity, and inclusion prohibitions. A section on Testimony Before the SBOE has also been added pursuant to SB 12.

BJB(LEGAL) SUPERINTENDENT: RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT

Notice of vacant positions must now be posted five, rather than 10, school days before the date on which a district fills the position according to HB 2.

BT(LEGAL) PROHIBITION ON DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION ACTIVITIES

This new policy code addresses SB 12's prohibition on diversity, equity, and inclusion activities. Definitions and prohibited activities and certification requirements are included.

C(LEGAL) BUSINESS AND SUPPORT SERVICES

The section C table of contents has been updated to reflect revised subtopics for CJA, now named Background Checks and Required Reporting, and CLE, now named Required Displayed. A new code CQD, on Artificial Intelligence, has also been added.

CBA(LEGAL) STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUE SOURCES: STATE

A section has been included to reflect that HB 2 added an allotment for basic costs of \$106 for each student. At New Instructional Facility Allotment, HB 2 and HB 120 add a renovated portion of an instructional facility to the definition of a new instructional facility.

CCA(LEGAL) LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES: BOND ISSUES

HB 103, HB 3526, and SB 843 all relate to bond databases. Extensive revisions throughout comport with these new laws. HB 4395 required the addition of an Electronic Submission and Delivery subsection under Attorney General Review and Approval.

CCG(LEGAL) LOCAL REVENUE SOURCES: AD VALOREM TAXES

HB 1522 requires specific notices to be provided when the board will discuss or adopt the budget, and HB

1453 allows districts to approve an interest and sinking (I & S) rate that exceeds the rate to maintain the same level of maintenance and operations revenue and pay debt service under specific conditions. Sections have been added to address these requirements. A deletion at Voter-Approval Tax Rate is due to HB 2. SB 1502 restricts a district's ability to approve disaster pennies. At Proposition, SB 1025 requires a proposition that increases a tax to include the statement "THIS IS A TAX INCREASE."

CCGA(LEGAL) AD VALOREM TAXES: EXEMPTIONS AND PAYMENTS

Contingent on a constitutional amendment, SB 4 will raise the homestead exemption to \$140,000. SB 23, also contingent on a constitutional amendment, raises the disabled and elderly exemption to \$60,000. HB 2742 amends the requirements around split payments for districts that collect their own taxes and eliminates Tax Code 31.04(c). Other revisions have been made for clarity.

CCGB(LEGAL) AD VALOREM TAXES: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SB 2900 repealed the JETI Oversight Committee, so related language in the Governor Action on Application section has been removed. HB 1620 repealed Tax Code 313.007, which was found in the Texas Economic Development Act section.

CE(LEGAL) ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET

Language at Authorized Expenditures has been updated to reflect changes from HB 2.

CFEA(LEGAL) PAYROLL PROCEDURES: SALARY DEDUCTIONS AND REDUCTIONS

The Professional or Other Dues section has been amended to address HB 2 changes for salary deductions.

CH(LEGAL) PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION

SB 1173 changes the competitive procurement threshold from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

Please note: In many districts' CH(LOCAL), the purchasing authority of the superintendent is established. This is a different threshold from what has been changed statutorily. For that reason,

CH(LOCAL) is not included in this update. Please review your CH(LOCAL) and, if any revisions are necessary, please contact your policy consultant.

CHE(LEGAL) PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION: VENDOR DISCLOSURES AND CONTRACTS

HB 210 creates a criminal offense for a vendor to bid or contract with the district if it has a close relationship with a trustee. A new section called Prohibited Activities by Vendors has been created to reflect this change. SB 33 adds to the prohibition against using taxpayer resource transactions for abortion-related expenses.

CHF(LEGAL) PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION: PAYMENT PROCEDURES

Language has been added to reflect an exception to the Exception for bona fide disputes between a district and vendor for purposes of prompt payment in construction projects, in accordance with HB 3005.

CJ(LEGAL) CONTRACTED SERVICES

A section on Severance Pay has been added to address HB 762, which restricts severance agreements for independent contractors. The provisions also apply to employees, as reflected in policy DEA.

CJ(LOCAL) CONTRACTED SERVICES

Recommended new provisions reflect that contractors may not engage in or assign instructional activities prohibited by law or diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) duties under SB 12. Violations will result in termination of the contract.

CJA(LEGAL) CONTRACTED SERVICES: BACKGROUND CHECKS AND REQUIRED REPORTING

The subtopic of this code, previously Criminal History, has been renamed Background Checks and Required Reporting. SB 571 transferred Education Code 22.085 to Chapter 22A and redesignated it as 22A.157. That change is reflected at Disqualifying Conviction and District Responsibility to Ensure Compliance. Extensive new sections on Requirement to Report Service Provider Misconduct and Consent for Release of Records and Preservice Affidavit have been added pursuant to SB 571.

CJA(LOCAL) CONTRACTED SERVICES: BACKGROUND CHECKS AND REQUIRED REPORTING

The subtopic name has been adjusted to Background Checks and Required Reporting to more accurately describe the contents of the legal framework at this code. No changes have been made to the local text, and the district has not been charged for this revision.

CK(LEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT

SB 57 changes at the Responsibilities subsection under Safety and Security Committee reflect the need to recommend accommodations for a student with an IEP or 504 plan. Additional changes from SB 57 are reflected in the Meetings subsection. HB 33 and HB 121 both speak to Sheriff-Led School Safety Meetings, which apply differently depending on the size of the county. A section about Public Information Officer for Emergency Communications has been added based on new requirements in HB 33. A clerical error in a citation as well as codes that were redesignated during the legislative session have been corrected.

CKA(LEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: SAFETY AND SECURITY AUDITS AND MONITORING

Revisions throughout are in compliance with HB 33, HB 2, and HB 121.

CKC(LEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: EMERGENCY PLANS

At Emergency Response Map and Walk-Through, the requirement to provide a map to the Department of Public Safety has been included in compliance with HB 121. Changes in the Emergency Operations Plan section are due to changes from HB 33, HB 131, SB 57, and HB 121. SB 57 made significant changes to Education Code 37.1086, as reflected in the Recommendations and Guidelines for Individuals with Disabilities or Impairments section. The requirement to provide information to parents about safe firearm storage three times per year pursuant to HB 121 is in the

Safe Firearm Storage section. At Confidential Information under the Texas Disaster Act, the language has been amended to reflect changes from HB 132.

CKD(LEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: EMERGENCY MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AND PROCEDURES

The Automated External Defibrillators section has been amended to include, amongst other changes, an Inspection subsection that is required under SB 865. The Cardiac Emergency Response Plan has also been amended to meet the requirements of that bill. A section on Airway Clearance Devices has been added pursuant to HB 549.

CKE(LEGAL) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: SECURITY PERSONNEL

Retired and reserve police officers are addressed in the Armed Security Officer Required section pursuant to HB 1458. Language regarding the expiration and renewal of good cause exceptions to the armed security officer requirement is included from HB 121. HB 121 also necessitated additional language in the Alternative Standard section.

CKEA(LEGAL) SECURITY PERSONNEL: COMMISSIONED PEACE OFFICERS

Language has been added pursuant to HB 33, which requires law enforcement agencies to have a Public Information Officer for Emergency Communications. Reserve police officers, as allowed in HB 1458, are similarly addressed in a new section. In accordance with HB 33, an Active Shooter Incident subsection has been added under Required Policies, along with a section requiring Access to a Breaching Tool and Ballistic Shield. A section on Donation of Surplus Law Enforcement Equipment to a School District has been included pursuant to HB 1851. Law enforcement agencies are authorized to acquire and possess epinephrine delivery systems, and that section has been updated due to changes in SB 1619. HB 4504 from the 88th Regular Legislative Session necessitated an update to the Code of Criminal Procedure citations throughout.

CKEB(LEGAL) SECURITY PERSONNEL: SCHOOL MARSHALS

Language at Board Regulations has been revised to reflect that uniformed school marshals may now open carry a firearm on campus pursuant to SB 870. HB 4504 from the 88th Regular Legislative Session necessitated an update to the Code of Criminal Procedure citations throughout.

CL(LEGAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT

HB 2 creates a requirement for districts to report facility usage to TEA.

CLB(LEGAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT: MAINTENANCE

A section on Fire Safety Inspection Reports has been included to reflect that SB 1177 requires fire safety inspections to include inspections of automated external defibrillators (AEDs) and that fire safety reports be filed at the campus level.

CLE(LEGAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT: REQUIRED DISPLAYS

The subtopic name has been adjusted to Required Displays to more accurately describe the contents at this code. A section heading for Flags has been added for clarity. SB 10's requirements regarding conspicuously displaying the Ten Commandments have been added.

CLE(LOCAL) BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT: REQUIRED DISPLAYS

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CMD(LEGAL) EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES MANAGEMENT: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS CARE AND ACCOUNTING

19 Administrative Code 67.1003(i), which became effective June 8, 2025, relates to district entitlement to state aid regardless of whether the district uses the amount provided during the school year, and has been included here. Extensive additions regarding open education resource instructional

materials has been added pursuant to 19 Administrative Code 67.1004, which also became effective June 8, 2025. SB 13 allows instructional material and technology allotment funds to be used for costs associated with complying with Education Code 33.023, which is set out more fully in EFB, and is referenced here. Beginning in the 2026-27 school year, districts may not adopt or use instructional material included on the list of rejected instructional materials maintained by the SBOE, and that has been included at Prohibited Expenditures. New provisions regarding commissioner's rules relating to the Instructional Materials and Technology Allotment have been added in accordance with 19 Administrative Code 67.1001, which became effective June 8, 2025. Changes at Requisitions, Use, and Distribution have been made pursuant to HB 2.

CNA(LEGAL) TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

A section on Special Transportation Services has been added after HB 2 amended Education Code 48.151(g).

CNC(LEGAL) TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT: TRANSPORTATION SAFETY

School buses are required to be equipped with three-point seat belts by 2029 in accordance with SB 546. Language to that effect has been added, including required reports that must be submitted to TEA if a board determines that the district's budget does not permit the district to purchase a bus equipped with the required seat belts.

COB(LEGAL) FOOD AND NUTRITION MANAGEMENT: FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS

SB 314 applies beginning with the 2026-27 school year, which necessitated a section on Prohibition on Certain Additives.

CQA(LEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: DISTRICT, CAMPUS, AND CLASSROOM WEBSITES

SB 12 creates a deadline for updating board information online and adds annual updating to TEA. Those changes are reflected in the Required Trustee Information subsection. Rule changes also necessitated an update to a citation in the Required Website Postings section. Additional required postings listed come from SB 12 and SB 13.

CQB(LEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: CYBERSECURITY

HB 150 moves cybersecurity duties from the Department of Information Resources (DIR) to Texas Cyber Command. Both HB 150 and HB 1500 amend the requirements relating to training. HB 1500 also changes who takes cybersecurity training. HB 150 provides a definition of "cybersecurity incident." Finally, HB 5331 affects contracts for cybersecurity insurance.

CQB(LOCAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: CYBERSECURITY

Recommended revisions comply with HB 150, which moves cybersecurity training requirements from the Department of Information Resources to the Texas Cyber Command and includes details about notifications for cybersecurity incidents in addition to security breaches.

CQD(LEGAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

This new code includes information relating to artificial intelligence (AI) based on new laws from SB 1964 (regulating the use of AI by governmental entities), HB 149 (regulating the use of AI), and HB 150 and HB 1500 (addressing training related to AI).

CQD(LOCAL) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

This new recommended policy addresses artificial intelligence training requirements based on HB 150 and HB 1500, as well as the use of artificial intelligence by district employees and students.

CRD(LEGAL) INSURANCE AND ANNUITIES MANAGEMENT: HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE

Qualifying districts that discontinued participation in TRS-ActiveCare may elect to participate based on HB 3126.

CS(LEGAL) FACILITY STANDARDS

The date of the International Energy Conservation Code is no longer relevant and has been removed.

CSA(LEGAL) FACILITY STANDARDS: SAFETY AND SECURITY

HB 121 puts an expiration date on the HB 3 good cause exception relating to Safety and Security Requirements for Facilities, so the requirement to renew the exception at least every five years has been included, in addition to a subsection on Security Review. The requirement to have at least one breaching tool and one ballistic shield available for use at each campus has also been included. SB 1620 necessitated a citation adjustment.

SB 8 from the Second Special Session becomes effective December 4, 2025. In addition to providing definitions, it requires districts to designate each multiple-occupancy private space for use only by individuals of one sex and to take every reasonable step to ensure an individual does not enter the wrong private space. SB 8 also provides for investigations by the attorney general, private causes of action, and civil penalties.

CSA(LOCAL) FACILITY STANDARDS: SAFETY AND SECURITY

SB 8 from the Second Special Session prompted the inclusion of a section on Designation and Use of Private Spaces. The superintendent is directed to designate private spaces in accordance with law and to develop regulations to ensure compliance.

CV(LEGAL) FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

The procurement threshold for contracts has increased to \$100,000. HB 1620 required a citation adjustment. SB 687 adds land surveyors to the statute pertaining to architects and engineers.

CV(LOCAL) FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

As reflected in CH(LEGAL), the competitive purchasing threshold established in law has changed from \$50,000 to \$100,000. The language at Construction Contracts is recommended for revision here to refer to the legal threshold rather than a specific dollar amount. Policy BJA(LOCAL) establishes the superintendent's delegation authority; therefore "or designee" is recommended for deletion at Project Administration.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

Please note: The superintendent's authority to approve construction contracts is reflected with a dollar amount in many districts' CV(LOCAL) that matched the previous competitive purchasing threshold. We have not revised the provisions reflecting the superintendent's authority to approve construction contracts. If the board wishes to update the superintendent's authority to approve contracts, please contact your policy consultant.

DBA(LEGAL) EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: CREDENTIALS AND RECORDS

Under Notice to Parents, HB 2 requires the superintendent to use, if available, the model notice provided by TEA. HB 2 also prohibits using a District of Innovation plan to exempt from the notice requirement. Teacher certification requirements were impacted heavily by HB 2, which required additional language at Professional Personnel. HB 2 also impacted the School District Teaching Permit section. SB 865 amends the requirement for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) certifications, which has been updated at CPR and AED Certification.

DBAA(LEGAL) EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: PRE-EMPLOYMENT REVIEWS

Revisions throughout are due to SB 571. New language reflects additional offenses included in the crimes prohibiting employment with the district and removes the victim age requirement.

DBD(LEGAL) EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS: CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A section on Personal Services Performed by Administrators, often referred to as "moonlighting," has been added to reflect changes from HB 3372.

DBD(LOCAL)**EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS:
CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

A new recommended section on Personal Services Performed by an Administrator includes language relating to administrator work from HB 3372.

DC(LEGAL)**EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES**

HB 2 amends Education Code 11.1513 to change the requirement for posting of vacancies from 10 days to five days. HB 2 also requires an employment policy relating to daily rate of pay, which is found in DEC(LOCAL).

DEA(LEGAL)**COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: COMPENSATION PLAN**

The Increase in Basic Allotment and Maintenance of Salary sections have been deleted after HB 2 repealed those provisions. A section on Severance Pay has been added based on HB 762. Under TRS Surcharge for Rehired Retirees, the No Recovery of Costs subsection has been deleted pursuant to HB 2. The Temporary Exception subsection has been deleted as that provision has expired.

DEAA(LEGAL)**COMPENSATION PLAN: INCENTIVES AND STIPENDS**

Extensive revisions throughout this policy reflect changes from HB 2.

DEC(LEGAL)**COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: LEAVES AND ABSENCES**

A subsection addressing the option for classroom teachers to use noncurrent use of Family Medical Leave has been added pursuant to HB 2. A section on Daily Rate of Pay has also been added pursuant to HB 2.

DEC(LOCAL)**COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: LEAVES AND ABSENCES**

HB 2 prompted recommended revisions to include Daily Rate of Pay under the Definitions section. The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

DF(LEGAL)**TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT**

SB 12 adds sanctions through the State Board for Educator Certification for encouraging a child to withhold evidence. SB 571 renumbered the provisions regarding the do-not-hire registry and expanded the misconduct included. SB 571 also changes the offenses requiring termination, which is reflected here. Based on SB 12, sections addressing Prohibition on DEI and Prohibited Classroom Instruction have also been included.

DFBA(LEGAL)TERM CONTRACTS: SUSPENSION/TERMINATION DURING CONTRACT

SB 571 renumbered the statute and changed timelines for principals to report misconduct to the superintendent.

DFBB(LOCAL)**TERM CONTRACTS: NONRENEWAL**

Based on SB 12, engaging or assigning diversity, equity, and inclusion duties, as well as instructional activities prohibited by law, are recommended for inclusion in the list of reasons a term contract employee may be nonrenewed. The item related to disability and the ability to perform the essential functions of the job has been amended for clarity.

DFD(LEGAL)**TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT: HEARINGS BEFORE
HEARING EXAMINER**

A section on Dismissal of hearings before a hearing examiner has been included to reflect changes in HB 2.

DFE(LEGAL)**TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT: RESIGNATION**

Under Contract Abandonment, a subsection on Sanctions Prohibited has been included pursuant to HB 2.

The Good Cause subsection has been removed as the rule it is based on conflicts with provisions in HB 2. Revisions in the Mitigating Factors section are due to rule changes found in 19 Administrative

Code 249.17 that were published on May 18, 2025. Revisions in Required Report to SBEC, Investigation, and Report by Principal are due to SB 571.

DG(LEGAL) EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

In response to SB 11, new provisions are included to address the option of a board to adopt a policy designating a time for prayer and reading of the Bible or other religious text. The new law requires the board to take a vote on whether to permit this activity within six months of the legislation's effective date. Since the law was effective on September 1, the board would need to take a vote prior to March 1, 2026. [See also FNA(LEGAL), below.]

Also, a section on Right to Engage in Religious Speech or Prayer has been included pursuant to SB 965.

DGA(LEGAL) EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES: FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION

HB 2 tasks TEA with providing services for a classroom teacher and prohibits districts from interfering.

**DGBA(LEGAL) PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS: EMPLOYEE
COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES**

All of the revisions in this policy reflect applicable changes from SB 12. Substantially similar revisions are being made to the grievance policies at FNG, regarding student and parent complaints, and GF, regarding public complaints.

**DGBA(LOCAL) PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS: EMPLOYEE
COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES**

All recommended revisions to this local policy on employee complaints stem from the applicable portions of SB 12.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

DGC(LEGAL) EMPLOYEE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES: IMMUNITY

SB 920 necessitated a revision related to immunities under Administration of Medication. HB 6 led to the addition of the section on Immunity for Disciplinary Actions.

DH(LEGAL) EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

Provisions regarding Duty to Report have always been in FFG(LEGAL) but have been duplicated here to ensure prominent placement and understanding. Sections on Retaliation Against Grievant and Social Transitioning have been included pursuant to SB 12. In the Low-THC Cannabis section, storage has been added pursuant to HB 46.

DH(LOCAL) EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

The recommended revision to the text at Weapons Prohibited – Exceptions reflects changes under SB 706 regarding reciprocity with a handgun license from another state. Sections on Prohibited Classroom Instruction or Activities; Prohibited Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Duties; and Social Transitioning are recommended for inclusion pursuant to SB 12. At Relationships with Students, the recommended revision addresses the requirement under SB 571 regarding notice of suspected misconduct by an educator or district service provider.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

**DHB(LEGAL) EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT: REPORTS TO STATE
BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION**

Substantial revisions throughout this code are required pursuant to SB 571. Revisions relating to Solicitation of a Romantic Relationship are due to rule changes at 19 Administrative Code 249.3.

DHC(LEGAL) EMPLOYEE STANDARDS OF CONDUCT: REPORTS TO TEXAS

EDUCATION AGENCY

Substantial revisions throughout reflect changes from SB 571.

DMA(LEGAL) PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: REQUIRED STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Revisions at Cybersecurity are due to HB 150. A new section on Artificial Intelligence Training is included in accordance with HB 3512. A new section for Mathematics Achievement Academies is included to reflect changes in HB 2. Information relating to CPR has been included pursuant to SB 865.

DP(LEGAL) PERSONNEL POSITIONS

Changes relating to school psychologists result from HB 2598. All other revisions are due to SB 571.

EA(LEGAL) INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Revisions at College, Career, and Military Readiness Plans as well as at Website Posting are due to HB 2.

EEP(LEGAL) INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS: LESSON PLANS

This new legal framework document contains the SB 12 legal requirements for Disclosure of Instructional Plans.

EEP(LOCAL) INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS: LESSON PLANS

This new local policy includes recommended language from SB 12 on instructional plans and course syllabi.

EFA(LEGAL) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

A subsection on Notice of Entitlement to Review Materials has been added pursuant to SB 12. Provisions at Parent Request for Instructional Material Review, including Mandatory Review on Petition by Group of Parents, have been added based on a new rule at 19 Administrative Code 67.69.

EFA(LOCAL) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

In accordance with SB 12, a section on Parent Request for Instructional Material Review is recommended for inclusion. The policy requires the superintendent to develop administrative regulations to ensure that parents or guardians can request review of instructional materials individually or through a petition process with other parents.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

EFB(LEGAL) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: LIBRARY MATERIALS

The School Library section has been deleted based on the 5th Circuit decision in *Little v. Llano County* and new provisions in SB 13 related to removal of library materials during challenges. The remaining revisions regarding the procurement of library materials are also in response to SB 13.

EHA(LEGAL) CURRICULUM DESIGN: BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM

Changes to Videotape or Recording to include "or contractor" are from SB 12.

EHAA(LEGAL) BASIC INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM: REQUIRED INSTRUCTION (ALL LEVELS)

A subsection on Parent Consent within the Human Sexuality Instruction section has been added due to SB 12. A cross-reference to EEP(LEGAL) has been added at Scope and Sequence and Instructional Materials for clarity after SB 12 revisions.

EHB(LEGAL) CURRICULUM DESIGN: SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Removal of the definitions of dyslexia and related disorders and changes at Screening, Testing, and Identification and at Talking Book Program Notification are all based on HB 2.

EHBA(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: SPECIAL EDUCATION

HB 2 prompted new language related to specialized technical assistance at Interventions and Sanctions as well as the removal of a parenthetical at State-Supported Living Center referring to state schools.

EHBAA(LEGAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: IDENTIFICATION, EVALUATION, AND ELIGIBILITY

SB 2 prompted the addition of a Students Not Enrolled in District section, which contains full and individual initial evaluation requirements. The language at Psychological Examinations was repealed by HB 2 and has been removed. A new section at Children with Visual Impairments and revisions at Eligibility and Reevaluations and at Visual and Auditory Impairments are also due to HB 2.

EHBAB(LEGAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: ARD COMMITTEE AND INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM

Language at Intellectual Disability and Developmental Delay Information has been added as a result of HB 1188. All other revisions have been made pursuant to HB 2.

EHBAC(LEGAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: STUDENTS IN NONDISTRICT PLACEMENT

HB 2 prompted revisions at Residential Placement as well as at Grant for Community-Based Support Services.

EHBAF(LEGAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: VIDEO/AUDIO MONITORING

The term "contractor" has been added at Parent Consent Not Required due to SB 12. The definition of "self-contained" has been deleted and that term has been replaced with "special educational classroom" throughout in accordance with HB 2. A definition of "special education classroom or other special education setting" has been added.

EHBAF(LOCAL) SPECIAL EDUCATION: VIDEO/AUDIO MONITORING

The enclosed revisions are recommended to update language regarding special education classrooms in accordance with HB 2 and to update the timeframe for reporting suspected misconduct or child abuse as required by SB 571.

EHBC(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: COMPENSATORY SERVICES AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS

The Use subsection under Compensatory Education Allotment has been deleted due to HB 2, which repealed Education Code 48.104(k). The provision on Virtual School Network has also been deleted, as it was repealed by SB 569. Amendments at At-Risk Student are due to SB 991. The Accelerated Instruction Program section has been deleted due to the repeal of Education Code 28.006(g) and (g-1) by HB 2.

EHBCA(LEGAL) COMPENSATORY SERVICES AND INTENSIVE PROGRAMS: ACCELERATED INSTRUCTION

HB 2 prompted the addition of language at High-Impact Tutoring Providers.

EHBE(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: BILINGUAL EDUCATION/ESL

Revisions at Exceptions and Waivers under the Bilingual and ESL Programs section are due to HB 2.

EHBG(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: PREKINDERGARTEN

Revisions throughout are due to HB 2.

EHBH(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: OTHER SPECIAL POPULATIONS

Revisions throughout are pursuant to HB 2.

EHBK(LEGAL) SPECIAL PROGRAMS: OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL INITIATIVES

A section on Gifted and Talented Week has been added pursuant to HCR 64.

EIA(LEGAL) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: GRADING/PROGRESS REPORTS TO PARENTS

SB 12 prompted amended language at Progress Reports and Conferences.

EIA(LOCAL)**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: GRADING/PROGRESS REPORTS TO PARENTS**

Recommended revisions reflect the SB 12 requirement that each parent of a student be afforded the opportunity for at least two in-person conferences with the student's teacher per year. At Academic Dishonesty, language is recommended that indicates the use of artificial intelligence without permission constitutes academic dishonesty.

EK(LEGAL)**TESTING PROGRAMS**

Amended language at Benchmark Assessment Instruments is due to terminology changes found in SB 1418.

EKB(LEGAL)**TESTING PROGRAMS: STATE ASSESSMENT**

Revisions at Accountability Testing are due to rule changes found at 19 Administrative Code 101.4002.

EKC(LEGAL)**TESTING PROGRAMS: READING ASSESSMENT**

Substantial revisions throughout are due to HB 2.

EKD(LEGAL)**TESTING PROGRAMS: MATHEMATICS ASSESSMENT**

The Mathematics Diagnosis section has been removed since Education Code 28.007 was repealed by HB 2. A section on Mathematics Instruments has been added based on the same bill.

EL(LEGAL)**CAMPUS OR PROGRAM CHARTERS**

The Failure to Discharge or Refuse to Hire section has been amended based on SB 571.

EMB(LEGAL)**MISCELLANEOUS INSTRUCTIONAL POLICIES: TEACHING ABOUT CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES**

Revisions throughout are due to SB 12.

F(LEGAL)**STUDENTS**

The section F table of contents has been revised to update the subtopic name for policy code FOB from Out-of-School Suspension to Suspension since that code now houses provisions on in-school and out-of-school suspension. In addition, the subtopic for policy code FNCE has been updated from Personal Telecommunications/Electronic Devices to Personal Communication Devices/Electronic Devices.

FA(LEGAL)**PARENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

A section on Right to Select School has been added pursuant to HB 2495. A statement prohibiting boards from adopting rules or policy regulating home schools has been added due to HB 2674. All other revisions have been made because of SB 12, including the addition of a Policy on Parental Engagement section. A district's policy on parental engagement must provide for an internet portal through which parents may submit comments to administrators and the board, require the board to prioritize public comments by presenting those comments at the beginning of the meeting, and require board meetings to be held outside of typical work hours.

FA(LOCAL)**PARENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

This new local policy is recommended for inclusion in the district's manual to address the SB 12 requirement to establish a parent portal on the district's website, through which parents may submit comments to administrators or the board.

FD(LEGAL)**ADMISSIONS**

A section on Parental Child Safety Placement has been added pursuant to SB 226. The section on Foreign Military Force Parent has been added due to HB 2757.

FEA(LEGAL)**ATTENDANCE: COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE**

Revisions and citation changes at Accelerated, Intervention, and Compensatory Programs are due to HB 2. Under Excused Absences for Compulsory Attendance Determinations, attending a released time course has been added pursuant to SB 1049. SB 207 made clear that Health-Care Appointments includes appointments with mental health professionals, which has been added. HB 367 added

specific requirements relating to Serious or Life-Threatening Illness and the form that the district must use for this purpose.

FEB(LEGAL) ATTENDANCE: ATTENDANCE ACCOUNTING

A new section on Emergency or Crisis has been added pursuant to SB 569.

FED(LEGAL) ATTENDANCE: ATTENDANCE ENFORCEMENT

HB 4504 from the 2023 88th Regular Legislative Session necessitated an update to the Code of Criminal Procedure citation relating to expunction of records.

FEF(LEGAL) ATTENDANCE: RELEASED TIME

This new legal framework document reflects the requirements around released time courses in SB 1049.

FEF(LOCAL) ATTENDANCE: RELEASED TIME

This local policy is recommended for inclusion in the district's manual to reflect SB 1049 requirements regarding released time courses.

FFA(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES

Substantial revisions throughout are due to SB 12.

FFAC(LEGAL) WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES: MEDICAL TREATMENT

SB 9 permits employees, including nurses, to administer nonprescription medication to a student without receiving additional documentation from that student's health care provider if the parent consents. Revisions at Administering Medication reflect those changes. SB 1619 required adding a definition of epinephrine delivery system and replacing "epinephrine auto-injector" with "epinephrine delivery system" throughout the policy. New Concussion Response Policy and Academic Accommodations sections were added in response to SB 2398. A citation error has been corrected at Maintenance and Administration of Medication for Respiratory Distress.

FFAC(LOCAL) WELLNESS AND HEALTH SERVICES: MEDICAL TREATMENT

A recommended revision at Medication Provided by Parent has been made due to SB 920, which now allows school employees, including nurses, to administer nonprescription medication in accordance with legal requirements.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online[®] Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

Please note: Contact your policy consultant if this policy needs adjustments to address provisions regarding athletic trainers, epinephrine, or respiratory distress medication.

FFB(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: CRISIS INTERVENTION

A new item 6 at Threat Assessment and Safe and Supportive Schools Team has been added due to HB 2. Revisions to the General Team Composition subsection under Membership have been made pursuant to HB 6. All other revisions are due to HB 121.

FFB(LOCAL) STUDENT WELFARE: CRISIS INTERVENTION

As required by HB 2, a provision is recommended for inclusion addressing the required notification that must be provided to teaching staff when a threat is made against the campus.

FFEA(LEGAL) COUNSELING AND MENTAL HEALTH: COUNSELING

Additional text at Higher Education Counseling has been included due to HB 2. The citation adjustment at Automatic Admission is due to rule redesignation to 19 Administrative Code 78.2001.

FFEB(LEGAL) COUNSELING AND MENTAL HEALTH: MENTAL HEALTH

Changes have been made at Consent to Examinations, Tests, and Treatment and a cross-reference to materials regarding parental consent for psychological and psychiatric exams, tests, and treatment has been added in response to changes made by SB 12.

FFF(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: STUDENT SAFETY

A section on Notice of Suspected Criminal Offense has been added due to SB 12. All other revisions and additions have been made pursuant to SB 571.

FFF(LOCAL) STUDENT WELFARE: STUDENT SAFETY

HB 2 prompted recommended revisions to this local policy regarding notifying a parent of a student with whom an employee or service provider is alleged to have engaged in misconduct.

FFG(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

Definition changes are due to HB 1106, HB 1151, and SB 571. Reports of suspected abuse or neglect must now be made within 24, rather than 48, hours pursuant to SB 571. SB 571 additionally defined the law enforcement agencies to which such a report may be made at Abuse and Neglect Involving School Personnel and Those Responsible for Care. A section on Civil Liability has been included due to HB 4623. Citation changes at SBEC Disciplinary Action have been made pursuant to SB 571. The new 24 hour reporting requirement from SB 571 is also reflected in the Reporting Policy section.

FFG(LOCAL) STUDENT WELFARE: CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

A recommended change at Reporting Child Abuse or Neglect reflects that SB 571 requires reporting within 24 hours of learning of the facts giving rise to suspicion of abuse or neglect of a child. The revision to item 1 at Making a Report also comes from SB 571.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

FFH(LEGAL) STUDENT WELFARE: FREEDOM FROM DISCRIMINATION, HARASSMENT, AND RETALIATION

A section on Civil Liability has been added pursuant to HB 4623.

FL(LEGAL) STUDENT RECORDS

A section on Vital Statistics Records has been added due to changes in HB 229. Under Disclosure with Consent, a reference to FFA has been added for clarity in light of SB 12 requirements. SB 12 also prompted changes relating to Access by Parents. A new section on My Texas Future Admissions Data Sharing has been added to reflect changes in SB 2314. A section on Records Requests Under Education Savings Account Program has been added pursuant to SB 2.

FM(LEGAL) STUDENT ACTIVITIES

A cross-reference to FFAC has been included to ensure clarity around the rules surrounding concussions from SB 2398. Revisions in Parental Notice and Consent are due to SB 12. SB 401 prompted additional information at Participation by Homeschooled Students.

Please note: Information and a survey was emailed to districts in July regarding homeschool student participation in UIL activities. Districts that responded they were opting out of permitting homeschool students to participate in UIL activities received a draft of FD(LOCAL) with that opt-out language; a cross reference to FD(LOCAL) was placed at FM(LOCAL) for those same districts. Please contact your policy consultant if you have questions.

FNA(LEGAL) STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES: STUDENT EXPRESSION

The word "encouraged" has been deleted under Prayer at School Activities pursuant to SB 11. A section on Designated Time for Prayer and Religious Reading has been included in alignment with SB 11.

In response to SB 11, new provisions are included to address the option of a board to adopt a policy designating a time for prayer and reading of the Bible or other religious text. The new law requires the board to take a vote on whether to permit this activity within six months of the legislation's effective date. Since the law was effective on September 1, the board would need to take a vote prior to March 1, 2026.

FNAB(LEGAL) STUDENT EXPRESSION: USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES FOR NONSCHOOL PURPOSES

This legal framework document is now included in your manual because SB 12 includes restrictions and requirements related to student clubs pertinent to your district.

FNCD(LEGAL) STUDENT CONDUCT: TOBACCO USE AND POSSESSION

Revisions to this code are due to SB 2024.

**FNCE(LEGAL) STUDENT CONDUCT: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
DEVICES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

Extensive revisions throughout are due to HB 1481. In addition, the subtopic for this policy code has been updated from Personal Telecommunications/Electronic Devices to Personal Communication Devices/Electronic Devices.

FNCG(LEGAL) STUDENT CONDUCT: WEAPONS

SB 1596 repealed short-barrel firearms as a prohibited weapon in the Penal Code, so that provision has been deleted.

**FNG(LEGAL) STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES: STUDENT AND PARENT
COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES**

A section on Notice to Teacher or Employee has been added pursuant to HB 2. The provisions at Disruption have been removed at this code but remain in BED(LEGAL). All other revisions are due to SB 12.

**FNG(LOCAL) STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES: STUDENT AND PARENT
COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES**

Substantial revisions to this student and parent complaint policy are recommended to reflect requirements in SB 12 and other legal requirements reflected in the legal framework at this code.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

FO(LEGAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE

HB 6 removed a district's authority to exempt itself from student discipline requirements through a District of Innovation plan; therefore, the Note indicating such an exemption has been deleted. Requirements relating to discipline for first-time vape offenses and information about parental involvement policies for school disciplinary placements have been added pursuant to HB 6. A section on Determination of Antisemitism has been added due to SB 326. Substantial revisions in the section on Campus Behavior Coordinators and the Parent Involvement Policy are due to HB 6. A section called No Restriction of Recess or Physical Activity has been added pursuant to SB 25. Inclusion of contractors in Videotapes and Recordings is due to SB 12.

FO(LOCAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE

HB 6 removed a district's authority to exempt itself from student discipline requirements through a District of Innovation plan. The District of Innovation text is, therefore, recommended for deletion. Minor edits are recommended to the language regarding Video and Audio Monitoring that make such monitoring permissive and clarify what should happen when video and audio recording equipment is in use.

FOA(LEGAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE: REMOVAL BY TEACHER OR BUS DRIVER

Extensive revisions throughout this legal framework are due to HB 6.

FOB(LEGAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE: SUSPENSION

Revisions throughout are due to HB 6, including changes regarding both in- and out-of-school suspension, necessitating a change to the policy subtopic name.

**FOC(LEGAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE: PLACEMENT IN A DISCIPLINARY
ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION SETTING**

HB 1422 changed the victim age relating to the crime of voyeurism from younger than 14 to younger than 18. All other revisions are pursuant to HB 6.

FOD(LEGAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE: EXPULSION

The section on Consideration of Virtual Education as Alternative to Expulsion is included pursuant to SB 569. All other revisions are due to HB 6.

FODA(LEGAL) EXPULSION: JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

A citation adjustment has been made at Court-Ordered Placement after HB 6 repealed Education Code 37.007(d).

FOE(LEGAL)STUDENT DISCIPLINE: EMERGENCY AND ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT

A subsection called Single Incident has been added under Emergency Placements due to changes from HB 6.

FOF(LEGAL) STUDENT DISCIPLINE: STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

HB 6 amended Education Code 37.001(b-1), and a slight revision under ARD Committee Required has been made as a result.

FP(LEGAL) STUDENT FEES, FINES, AND CHARGES

The section on TXVSN has been retitled Hybrid or Virtual Course with language revised in accordance with SB 569. Attorney general guidance regarding Authorized Fees has also been added.

GBA(LEGAL) PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAM: ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION

In the Information That Must Be Disclosed section, a subsection on Personal Services Contract has been added pursuant to HB 3372. A citation at Student Victim Information has been revised based on SB 571. Employee Victims has been amended based on revisions in SB 2601. Language has been added at Cybersecurity Information pursuant to HB 3112. HB 150 Cyber Command revisions prompted language and citation changes in the Texas VIRT Information section. SB 1540 adds election officials to the list of individuals who have the option to restrict access to some personal information. Additional language is included in Board Member and Employee Personnel Information due to SB 370.

GBAA(LEGAL) ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION: REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Changes throughout are due to HB 4219.

GC(LEGAL) PUBLIC NOTICES

A section on Digital Newspaper has been added due to SB 1062.

GF(LEGAL) PUBLIC COMPLAINTS

Revisions throughout are the result of SB 12.

GF(LOCAL) PUBLIC COMPLAINTS

All recommended revisions to this local policy on public complaints stem from the applicable portions of SB 12.

The [Legal Tips for Policy Development](#), available in the Policy Online® Governance and Management Library (TASB login required), describe common legal concerns and best practices specific to this policy's topic.

GKA(LEGAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS: CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES

Additional language at Refusal of Entry or Ejection of Unauthorized Persons has been included pursuant to SB 2929.

Please note: HB 6 removed a district's authority to exempt itself from Chapter 37 requirements through a District of Innovation plan; therefore, the Note indicating such an exemption has been deleted.

GKA(LOCAL) COMMUNITY RELATIONS: CONDUCT ON SCHOOL PREMISES

HB 6 no longer permits district of innovation exemptions to Chapter 37; therefore, provisions related to Education Code 37.105 have been adjusted. Language regarding handguns is recommended for revision due to SB 706.

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**GNB(LEGAL) RELATIONS WITH EDUCATIONAL ENTITIES: REGIONAL
EDUCATION SERVICE CENTERS**

The revisions relating to special education service group and dyslexia are due to HB 2.

**GRAA(LEGAL) STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES: LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES**

Citation revisions are due to HB 6 and to correct a formatting issue.