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Offered By

AMEND House Amendment No. ____ to House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 323, Page 5, Line 46 by inserting after all of the said line the following:

"Further amend said bill, Page 11, Section 161.097, Line 38, by inserting after all of the said section and line the following:

"162.052. 1. The registered voters of a school district may file a petition with the district's school board asking that an item be placed on a board meeting agenda. If the school board of a school district receives a petition, signed by at least five percent of the registered voters of the school district who voted in the last school board election, calling for an item to be placed on the agenda for the school board, then the school board shall place the requested item on the next meeting's agenda and shall take a vote on the petitioned item within the next three board meetings. The petition shall include each signer's printed or typed name, registered voting address, signature, and the date signed. The school district shall verify the petition requirements with the local election authority of the district.

2. The school board shall follow all relevant board policies in regards to the placement of the item on the agenda, time allowed for discussion, testimony allowed, quorum requirements, the process by which a vote is taken, and the required number of votes for approval.

3. The petition shall contain a concise statement of what the school board is being requested to discuss and vote upon. Such statement shall consist of no more than one hundred words. The item requested by the petition shall be presented to the board in its exact form and shall not be modified by the board.

4. A petition to request an item to be placed on the school board's agenda shall not be submitted for the same item more than once every six months.

5. Items that may be presented to the board by petition shall include, but shall not be limited to:

(1) Implementing, changing, or repealing a board policy;

(2) Modifying or reversing an action by school administration or requesting that certain action be taken by school administration;

(3) Implementing, changing, or discontinuing the use of any curriculum or course of instruction; or

(4) Modifying the school calendar.

6. The petition process under this section shall not be used to recall board members, change district boundaries, authorize any bonding, impose any additional tax, or for any other purpose that would require an issue be placed on the ballot to be voted upon by residents at an election. However, a petition may be used under this section to request that any of the issues described under this subsection be discussed at an upcoming school board meeting and voted upon by the school board for further consideration by the district's voters."; and"; and

Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references accordingly.

THIS AMENDS AMENDMENT 1585H02.30H

Action Taken _____ Date _____