

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

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AMEND House Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 982,
Page 3, Section 161.217, Line 35, by inserting after all of said section and lines the following:

"161.841. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Parents' Access to Public
School Records Act".

2. As used in this section, the term "parent" means a child's parent, guardian, or other person
having control or custody of the child.

3. This section shall be construed to empower parents to enforce the following rights to
access public records maintained by school districts and public schools in which their children are
enrolled that receive any federal or state moneys:

(1) The right to know what their minor child is being taught in school by inspecting
curricula, books, and other instructional materials provided to students;

(2) The right to receive identifying information about who is teaching their minor child
including, but not limited to, guest lecturers and outside presenters;

(3) The right to, upon request, receive the names of individuals and organizations receiving
school contracts and funding;

(4) The right to visit the school and check in on their minor child during school hours;

(5) The right to view or receive all school records, medical or otherwise, concerning their
minor child;

(6) The right to receive information about the collection and transmission of their minor
child's data;

(7) The right to, upon request, receive public records and the process for communicating
with the public school's governing board;

(8) The right to, upon request, receive public information on acts of school violence and
reports made to law enforcement, pursuant with subsection 2 of section 160.261, in their minor

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1 child's school; and

2 (9) The right to know about situations affecting their minor child's general safety in school.

3 4. No school district or public school shall require nondisclosure agreements or similar
4 forms for a parent's review of curricula. Each public school or school district shall allow parents to
5 make a copy of curriculum documents or receive such curriculum documents in an electronic
6 format, provided that no request would cause an infringement of copyright protections provided
7 under the federal Copyright Act of 1976 (17 U.S.C. Section 101 et seq.), as amended.

8 5. No school district or public school shall collect any biometric data about a minor child
9 without obtaining written parental consent before collecting such data or information, except for
10 biometric data necessary to create and issue appropriate school identification cards.

11 6. Each school board meeting pertaining to curricula or general safety, shall be held in
12 public and allow for public comments, subject to the authorized closure of any portion of such
13 meeting under section 610.021.

14 7. Each school district and public school shall notify parents in a timely manner of all
15 reported incidents directly pertaining to student safety that result in any felony or misdemeanor
16 charges filed against teachers or other school employees related to such reported incident.

17 8. No school district or public school shall provide any school records as described in this
18 section in violation of any relevant state or federal law or policy protecting or limiting access to
19 such minor child's school records. Nothing in this section shall set aside the provisions of chapter
20 610 or other provisions regarding records that are protected from disclosure by law.

21 9. Each school district and public school may adopt reasonable procedures for parents to
22 follow when exercising the parental right to visit the school and their minor child during school
23 hours.

24 10. No employee of any public school or school district shall encourage, coerce, or attempt
25 to coerce a minor child to withhold information from such minor child's parents; provided, however,
26 that any such person required to report suspected abuse or neglect under sections 210.109 to
27 210.183 may encourage a minor child to withhold information where disclosure could reasonably
28 result in abuse or neglect.

29 11. The attorney general of this state or any parent of a minor child enrolled in a public
30 school in the district may bring a civil action for injunctive relief against the school district or public
31 school in which their child is enrolled if such school district or public school violates this section.
32 Such action shall be brought in the county where the violation occurred. If a court finds that the
33 school district or public school has knowingly engaged in multiple or repeated violations of this

section, the department of elementary and secondary education shall withhold all moneys provided by monthly distribution of state formula funding to such school district or public school until such school district or public school is in compliance with this section. After the school district or public school provides evidence that such school district or public school is in compliance with this section, the department shall restore the distribution of the funding to its original amount before the distribution was withheld. Any moneys that were withheld under this subsection shall be released to such school district or public school only if such school district or public school establishes compliance with this section in the same school year in which the department withheld such moneys.

12. This section shall not be construed to limit the inalienable rights of a parent or taxpayer, regardless of whether such rights are enumerated in the provisions of this section."; and

Further amend said bill, Page 5, Section 167.227, Line 15, by inserting after all of said section and lines the following:

"170.355. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

(1) "Parent", a student's parent, guardian, or other person having control or custody of the student;

(2) "School", a public school or school district as such terms are defined in section 160.011.

2. No school or school employee shall compel a teacher to discuss public policy issues of the day.

3. No school or school employee shall compel a teacher or student to personally adopt, affirm, adhere to, or profess ideas in violation of Title IV or Title VI of the federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, including the following:

(1) That individuals of any race, ethnicity, color, or national origin are inherently superior or inferior;

(2) That individuals should be adversely or advantageously treated on the basis of individual race, ethnicity, color, or national origin; or

(3) That individuals, by virtue of their race, ethnicity, color, or national origin, bear collective guilt and are inherently responsible for actions committed in the past by other members of the same race, ethnicity, color, or national origin.

4. No course of instruction or unit of study offered by any school shall direct or otherwise compel students to personally affirm, adopt, or adhere to any of the ideas listed in subsection 3 of

1 this section.

2 5. No course of instruction, unit of study, professional development, or training program
3 shall direct or otherwise compel teachers to personally affirm, adopt, or adhere to any of the ideas
4 listed in subsection 3 of this section.

5 6. (1) No school employee, when acting in the course of such employee's official duties,
6 shall organize, participate in, or carry out any act or communication that would violate subsection 3
7 of this section.

8 (2) This subsection shall not be construed to prohibit a school employee from discussing the
9 ideas and history of the ideas listed in subsection 3 of this section.

10 7. This section shall not be construed to prohibit teachers or students from discussing public
11 policy issues or ideas that individuals may find unwelcome, disagreeable, or offensive.

12 8. The attorney general of this state or any parent of a minor child enrolled in a public
13 school in the district may bring a civil action for injunctive relief against the school district or public
14 school in which their child is enrolled if such school district or public school violates this section.
15 Such action shall be brought in the county where the violation occurred. If a court finds that the
16 school district or public school has knowingly engaged in multiple or repeated violations of this
17 section, the department of elementary and secondary education shall withhold all moneys provided
18 by monthly distribution of state formula funding to such school district or public school until such
19 school district or public school is in compliance with this section. After the school district or public
20 school provides evidence that such school district or public school is in compliance with this
21 section, the department shall restore the distribution of the funding to its original amount before the
22 distribution was withheld. Any moneys that were withheld under this subsection shall be released to
23 such school district or public school only if such school district or public school establishes
24 compliance with this section in the same school year in which the department withheld such
25 moneys.

26 9. This section shall not be construed to limit the inalienable rights of a parent or taxpayer,
27 regardless of whether such rights are enumerated in the provisions of this section."; and

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