HB 854 -- STUDENT ELECTRONIC PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS DEVICE USAGE

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Beginning in the 2026-27 school year school, districts and charter schools must have a policy governing the use of an electronic personal communications device in school. Policies must promote educational interests and safe working environments. Students can not use electronic personal communications devices during instructional activities and policies must provide disciplinary procedures and exceptions. Districts and charter schools must publish the policy on the school website and the bill specifies liability protections for acting in accordance with the policy.

This bill is similar to HB 306 (2025) and HB 2889 (2024).