



JUDSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Meeting Date: August 20, 2026

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Title: Director of Communications

Agenda Item: Consider and take action regarding approving the designation of ten non-business days for Public Information Act requests for calendar year 2027

CONSENT ITEM

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board approve the designation of the specific non-business days for the 2027 calendar year for the purposes of responding to PIA/Open Records requests.

IMPACT/RATIONALE:

HB 3033, passed during the 89th regular legislative session, amends the Public Information Act (PIA) by limiting the number of “non-business” days for school districts. This legislation reduces response times for PIA requests when Districts are closed for business. Board action must be taken to designate nonbusiness PIA days for purposes of responding to PIA/Open Records requests. The new law took effect September 1, 2023.

The change specifically states that districts may not count all days for which they are closed as nonbusiness days when responding to PIA requests. In addition to weekends and state & national holidays, up to ten nonbusiness days may be designated when District administrative offices are closed or operating with minimal staffing within each calendar year for purposes of the PIA. These days must be approved by the Board of Trustees. If specific non-business days are not designated by the District, pertinent District staff may be required to respond to PIA requests during each day the District is closed that does not fall into the non-business day category as defined by TEC Section 552.0031.

It is important to note that this change in the calculation of business and non-business days only applies to requests under the Public Information Act and does not apply to any other timeline that includes only District business.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval/Disapproval