

Meeting Date: December 17, 2024 **Meeting Type:** Regular

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Item Name: SENATE BILL 1882 TEXAS PARTNERSHIPS

Item Summary: The Texas Legislature signed Senate Bill 1882 into law in 2017. The Bill encourages districts to use these partnerships to improve student outcomes by offering two new benefits. Approved partnerships may receive additional state funding for the partnership school, and schools with an unacceptable accountability rating are eligible to receive a two-year exemption from specific accountability interventions. The intent of the Lamar CISD partnership is strictly to encourage innovation, so the accountability benefits are not available to our arrangement.

In a Texas Partnership, the district authorizes an independent in-district school with the partner selected through a careful authorizing process. The partner has sole autonomy and responsibility for the operation of the partnership school, including personnel, curriculum, calendar, and assessments. The district holds the partner accountable through a performance contract outlining academic goals for the school as well as the division of roles and responsibilities. The partner manages the in-district school and is responsible for outcomes, and the partner must meet certain success criteria developed by the Texas Education Agency.

A presentation outlining the process, expectations, and timelines will be delivered during the meeting.

Policy Reference: ELA (Legal)

Leadership Definition Alignment: Plan for Success

Strategic Plan Alignment: N/A

Currently Budgeted? ☐ Yes ☐ No Budgetary Impact

Completion or Implementation Timeline: 2026-2027 Fiscal Year