

JUDSON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Meeting Date: July 31, 2025

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Title: Deputy Superintendent

Agenda Item: Consider and take action regarding approving the removal of Exemption #5 - DAEP for E-cigarettes from the District of Innovation Plan as required by HB 6.

CONSENT ITEM

RECOMMENDATION:

Judson ISD administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the removal of the DoI exemption that applies to TEC §37.006 called DAEP for E-cigarettes to align with HB 6, where school districts are prohibited from including an exemption from any part of Chapter 37 in their DoI plan.

IMPACT/RATIONALE:

Districts have been mandated to update their DOI Plans as soon as possible and remove any exemptions from the plan related to Chapter 37. The following exemption would be removed from the DoI plan:

DAEP for E-cigarettes

TEC Texas Education Code §37.006: Provides that a student must be removed from class and placed in a disciplinary alternative education program if the student has an e-cigarette. This will certainly lead the DAEP to become filled by non-violent mandatory offenses, unnecessarily increases discipline of students found in possession of an e-cigarette, and removes campus discretion regarding appropriate discipline for student behavior. Further, it is important for school safety that the DAEP have capacity for students who commit more serious infractions.

Exemption from: TEC §37.006 related to HB 114

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval/Disapproval