5. Inter-District Transfers

(Ed. Code 25.036) (FDA Local)

Current Law:

Currently, under Texas Education Code 25.036, a district may choose to accept, as transfers, students who are not entitled to enroll in the district, but TEC 25.036, has been interpreted to require a transfer to be for a period of one school year.

Proposed:

The Hillsboro ISD student transfer policy FDA (Local) requires that all nonresident students who wish to transfer must file a transfer application each school year. In approving transfer requests, the availability of space and instructional staff, availability of programs and services, the student's disciplinary history records, work habits, and attendance records are also evaluated. Transfer students are expected to follow the attendance requirements, as well as school rules and regulations of the district. The district is seeking to be exempt from any one-year commitment that might be implied by the provisions of TEC 25.036 when accepting transfer applicants. Students who engage in misbehavior and students who do not attend school for 90% of all classes interferes with our school district's ability to educate our student body in a way that is effective. When students are disruptive and/or excessively absent, time is spent correcting the behavior, and/or providing interventions, and does not adequately prepare the students who are behaving and want to learn. For these cases, Hillsboro ISD seeks exemption from the one year transfer commitment and to allow the district Superintendent to rescind a transfer at any time during the school year.