



August 3, 2026

SUBJECT: CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION OF DISTRICT OF INNOVATION (DOI) AMENDMENTS

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the Proposed District of Innovation Amendments.

RATIONALE: Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve an amendment to the District of Innovation (DOI) plan to remove the following four exemptions.

1. TEC §21.057 — Parental Notification
2. TEC §37.0012 — Designation of Campus Behavior Coordinator
3. TEC §37.006 — Removal for Certain Conduct
4. TEC §37.105 — Unauthorized Persons: Refusal of Entry, Ejection, Identification

Legislation passed during the 89th Texas Legislature now prohibits Districts of Innovation from claiming exemptions from these sections of the Texas Education Code. Continued inclusion of these exemptions in the DOI plan is no longer applicable under TEC §12A.004(a)(4).

BUDGET PROVISIONS / ACTION REQUIRED: Not Applicable

RESOURCE PERSONNEL: Dr. Matt Bolinger



The following exemptions are recommended for removal:

1. TEC §21.057 — Parental Notification

Exemption from this section is now prohibited per TEC §12A.004(a)(4), as added by House Bill 2, 89th Texas Legislature.

TEC §21.057 requires a school district to notify parents when their child is assigned a teacher who is not certified in the subject or grade level they are teaching.

Essentially, if a teacher is working outside their certification (whether due to a shortage, a temporary assignment, or any other reason) parents have the right to know. The District currently abides by this code; however, this item needs to be removed from the DOI plan.

2. TEC §37.0012 — Designation of Campus Behavior Coordinator

Exemption from this section is now prohibited per TEC §12A.004(a)(4), as added by House Bill 6, 89th Texas Legislature. It is important to note that all schools have a designated Campus Behavior Coordinator. The District currently abides by this code; however, this item needs to be removed from the DOI plan.

3. TEC §37.006 — Notification Upon Placement in DAEP

TEC, Section 37.006(p) requires on the placement of a student in a disciplinary alternative education program (DAEP), the district shall provide information to the student's parent or other person standing in parental relationship to provide information regarding the process for requesting a full individual and initial evaluation. Previously, a DOI exemption allowed districts some flexibility in how this process was locally implemented. With the exemption now prohibited, Goose Creek CISD must follow the statute as written.

4. TEC §37.105 — Unauthorized Persons: Refusal of Entry, Ejection, Identification

TEC §37.105 grants school administrators and staff the legal authority to refuse entry to unauthorized individuals, demand identification from anyone on campus, and eject persons who do not have a legitimate reason to be present with the ability to involve law enforcement if necessary. Previously, a DOI exemption allowed districts some flexibility in how these procedures were locally implemented. With the exemption now prohibited, Goose Creek CISD must follow the statute as written, ensuring all campuses apply visitor identification, entry, and ejection procedures in full compliance with state law.