

CHAPTER 351

H.B. No. 858

AN ACT

relating to prohibiting students from smoking or using tobacco products.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 21, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 21.927 to read as follows:

*Sec. 21.927. SMOKING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY. The board of trustees of a school district shall prohibit students from smoking or using tobacco products at any school*

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*related or sanctioned activity on or off school property and shall instruct school personnel to enforce the policy against smoking on school property. It shall be the responsibility of the Central Education Agency to monitor and enforce this provision of the law.*

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on April 21, 1987, by a non-record vote; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 858 on May 29, 1987, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 858 on June 1, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 26, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 858 on June 1, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 11, 1987.

Effective Aug. 31, 1987, 90 days after date of adjournment.