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

SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 21, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 21.4031 to read as follows:

Sec. 21.4031. PROFESSIONAL STAFF SERVICE RECORDS. (a) In this section:

(1) “Salary schedule” means the minimum salary schedule under Section 21.402 or a comparable salary schedule used by a school district that specifies salary amounts based on an employee’s level of experience.

(2) “Service record” means a school district document that indicates the total years of service provided to the district by a classroom teacher, librarian, counselor, or nurse.

(b) On request by a classroom teacher, librarian, counselor, or nurse or by the school district employing one of those individuals, a school district that previously employed the individual shall provide a copy of the individual’s service record to the school district employing the individual. The district must provide the copy not later than the 30th day after the later of:

(1) the date the request is made; or

(2) the date of the last day of the individual’s service to the district.

(c) If a school district fails to provide an individual’s service record as required by Subsection (b), the agency shall, to the extent that information is available to the agency, provide the employing school district with information sufficient to enable the district to determine proper placement of the individual on the district’s salary schedule.

SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2009-2010 school year.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

Passed by the House on April 24, 2009: Yeas 138, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1365 on May 23, 2009: Yeas 137, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 21, 2009: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 2009.

CHAPTER 371

H.B. No. 1366

AN ACT
relating to ballot language in an election authorizing the issuance of bonds for hospital district system improvements.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 281.107(c) and (d), Health and Safety Code, are amended to read as follows:

(c) The official proposition submitted to the voters at an election held under this section shall include, at a minimum, the information included in the election order as prescribed by Subsection (e). [read substantially as follows:

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"PROPOSITION"

"Shall (insert name of district) be authorized to pledge all or a portion of its hospital system revenues and the revenues received from the ad valorem tax that was previously approved by the voters of the district to the payment of outstanding and future combination tax and revenue bonds and other obligations, and debt service reserves therefor, that were and will be issued and executed for the capital purposes of the district's hospital system?"

(d) The ballot shall be arranged in a manner that will permit the voters to vote for or against the following summary of the proposition:

"Authorizing (insert name of district) to (insert description of proposed district improvement) and to pledge (insert amount of combination tax and revenue bonds or other obligations) for the purpose of financing the proposed hospital district improvement project."

["Authorizing the (insert name of district) to pledge the revenues from its hospital system and from the ad valorem tax that was previously approved by the voters to the payment of combination tax and revenue bonds and other obligations that have been and will be issued and executed for the capital purposes of the hospital system."]

SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to an election ordered on or after the effective date of this Act. An election ordered before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the election was ordered, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

Passed by the House on April 28, 2009: Yeas 149, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 21, 2009: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 2009.


CHAPTER 372

H.B. No. 1372

AN ACT

relating to the definition of victim in relation to certain crime victims' rights.

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

SECTION 1. Article 56.01(3), Code of Criminal Procedure, as amended by Chapters 66 (H.B. 1489) and 268 (S.B. 6), Acts of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005, is reenacted and amended to read as follows:

(3) "Victim" means a person who is the victim of the offense of sexual assault, kidnapping, aggravated robbery, trafficking of persons, or injury to a child, elderly individual, or disabled individual or who has suffered personal injury or death as a result of the criminal conduct of another.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

Passed by the House on April 22, 2009: Yeas 149, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 27, 2009: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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