

Bill	Relevant Information
HB2947 Left Pending in subcommittee 4/3/25	● Increasing the fine for truant conduct ● If a district previously initiated truancy prevention measures in a preceding school year and the student's truant conduct continues to a succeeding school year, the district can refer a student to truancy court without re-initiating truancy prevention measures. ● Annual attendance report including ○ number of students that missed 10 or more days without in a 6-month period of time ○ number of students for whom the district initiated truancy prevention measures ○ number of students referred to truancy court ○ number of parents whom a complaint has been filed
HB 2847/HB 5507 Referred to Juvenile Justice 3/19/25	● Removes the fines associated with a truant offense (HB 5507 only) ● Changes the truancy definition from 10 days without excuse to 10% of operational/instructional time without excuse

SB 570 Recommended for Local & Uncontested Calendar 4/7/25	• Inform students and parents about the importance of regular attendance. • Provide support to students who don't attend regularly. • Describe the benefits of regular attendance. • Describe the consequences of poor attendance, including the impact on academic progress and potential referral to truancy court. • Allow parents to elect to receive notifications of their child's absences (via email, text, or mail). • Mandate a meeting between parent, counselor/principal/administrator when a student is at risk of truancy to discuss the student's behavior and potential contributing factors at home. • If the parent fails to attend this meeting, authorize a home visit or other contact by the attendance officer to investigate and report findings. • Establish guidelines to identify students needing additional support and refer them to relevant services.
SB 991/HB 213 SB 991 - Recommended for Local and Uncontested Calendar 4/7/25 HB 213 - Committee report sent to Calendars 4/1/25	• Adds two At-Risk categories to 29.081 for the following categories: ○ Chronically absent (missing more than 10% of the school's operation/instructional minutes)

	○ Students that have failed to attend school without excuse for 10 or more days within 6 months
HB 1096 Referred to Public Education 3/7/25	● Updates chapter 37 to report the number of students referred to truancy court that are in the conservatorship of DFPS
HB 1010 Referred to Public Education 3/7/25	● Changes the truancy definition to 6 absences without excuse in 8 weeks
HB 2236/SB 56/HB 213 HB 2236 - Referred to Public Education Committee 3/14/25 SB 56 - Referred to K-16 2/3/25 HB 213 - Committee Report sent to Calendars 4/1/25	● Disaggregates chronically absent students by race, ethnicity, and status by: ○ Special education ○ Dyslexia ○ Educationally disadvantaged ○ Emergent bilingual
HB 1841 Referred to Human Services 3/14/25	● Amends the family code that concerns of truancy are not required to be reported
HB 3613 Referred to Juvenile Justice 3/25/25	● Allows school districts to file a truancy case after the 3rd unexcused absence within 4 weeks but before the 10th unexcused absence