

Legislative Solution #13

Correct Failed Discipline Policies

Replace restorative discipline with consequential discipline. Restore due process protections and the ability to appeal district discipline decisions.

Parent and community volunteers across Texas are continuing to review bills. We will continue to add bills and commentary, as needed.

HERO BILLS

			911 Official	
Bill	Author	Caption	Position	Comment

WAITING ON HERO BILLS

COURAGE BILLS

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HB 2952	Cunningham	Relating to procedures for the suspension, expulsion, or placement in a disciplinary alternative education program or juvenile justice alternative education program of a public school student enrolled in a school district.	For	Establishes currently absent due process protections for students referred to Discipline Alternative Education Placement (DAEP).

Priority Bills

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SB 133/ HB 459	_ West/Hull	Relating to prohibiting the physical restraint of or use of chemical irritants on certain public school students by peace officers and school security personnel under certain circumstances.	For	This bill bans School Resource Officers from using handcuffs or pepper spray on children 10 and under, which unfortunately is happening in some Texas schools.
<u>HB 34</u>	Toth	Relating to a public school classroom safety review and referral program for students who engage in violent criminal conduct; creating a criminal offense.	For	Reverses failed restorative discipline practices. Removes kids from class that are violent or disruptive.
<u>HB 72</u>	Zwiener	Relating to the instruction about bullying and harassment in the required health curriculum for public school students.	Against	This bill will limit free speech; it could result in punishment of students who believe gender or sex is binary.
HB 498	Meza	Relating to policies and procedures for addressing bullying and harassment in public schools.	Against	This bill will limit free speech; it could result in punishment of students who believe gender or sex is binary.
HB 655	Allison	Relating to the placement by a school district of a student who engages in habitually violent behavior.	Comment	This bill looks to remove violent students from the classroom, which we applaud, but measuring the violence based on grading periods is problematic and violence against a teacher should never be tolerated.
HB 1098	Hinojosa	Relating to the admission policy of an open-enrollment charter school.	Against	