MR. CHAIRMAN:

I move to amend HB 2758, on page 2, following line 32, by inserting:

"New Sec. 2. (a) Subsequent to an investigation, disciplinary action shall be taken for all offenses in grades kindergarten through 12 in accordance with disciplinary policies adopted by the school district. Interventions to teach students appropriate behaviors shall be initiated when disciplinary actions are imposed.

(b) The parents of a student who has been bullied shall be notified within 24 hours after the incident has been reported. The victim's parents or guardians shall be offered counseling.

(c) It is the intent of the legislature to encourage schools to use alternatives to expulsion or referral to law enforcement agencies by addressing disruptive behavior through restitution, civil citation, teen court, neighborhood restorative justice or similar programs. The use of "zero tolerance policies" to suspend or expel students who bully shall be used only as a last resort. Restorative justice disciplinary options to help offending students or school employees develop age-appropriate behavior may include the following:

1. Correction and conferences with the offending student;

2. In-school detention;

3. Crisis removal of the offending student from the school building;

4. Individualized instruction related to the offending student's problem behaviors;

5. In-school suspension;

6. Interim alternate education setting for the offending student;

7. Loss of privileges;
(8) time in the school building office;

(9) suspension of one to 10 school days after the second offense. Suspension shall include suspension from extracurricular activities;

(10) suspension of 11 or more school days after the third offense. Suspension shall include suspension from extracurricular activities;

(11) writing a report on how to prevent the inappropriate behavior in the future;

(12) disciplinary transfer to another school building;

(13) referral to alternative education programs;

(14) expulsion for the rest of the school year; or

(15) restitution paid by the offending student to the victims.

(d) Offending students shall receive counseling in addition to any disciplinary action taken.

(e) Disciplinary actions may be carried over to the next school year if the offense is committed within 20 school days before the last instructional day for students in that school year.

And by renumbering sections accordingly

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