



Resolution

For Hamlin ISD to Initiate the Process of Designation as a District of Innovation Under HB 1842

WHEREAS, the Hamlin ISD Board of Trustees is committed to "world class" achievement for every child; and,

WHEREAS, HB 1842 provides Texas public school districts the opportunity to be designated as Districts of Innovation; and,

WHEREAS, Texas districts designated as Districts of Innovation may be exempted from a number of state statutes; and,

WHEREAS, the Hamlin ISD Board of Trustees has a long-standing practice of supporting innovation for the benefit of students; and,

WHEREAS, the Hamlin ISD Board of Trustees believes that it can be a better decision-making body for students when it has freedom and unfettered financial resources to exercise local control over the decision-making process; and,

WHEREAS, HB 1842 requires districts seeking to be designated as Districts of Innovation to develop a local innovation plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Hamlin ISD is currently developing a strategic plan for the District to improve school and District performance; and,

WHEREAS, the Hamlin ISD Board of Trustees believes that a local innovation plan, if created, should be developed in conjunction with the District's strategic plan; and,

WHEREAS, before considering the creation of a local innovation plan, the Hamlin ISD Board of Trustees conducts a public hearing at the February 16th board meeting to receive any feedback from District stakeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Hamlin Independent School District Board of Trustees on February 6, 2017, initiates the process of exploring and considering designation of the District as a District of Innovation under HB 1842.

Approved by the Hamlin ISD Board of Trustees at the February 6, 2017 by a vote 5 to 0.
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