

CALHOUN ISD

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Bill No.	Description and Sponsor	Status & Notes	Committee Date
HB 4529	(Amos) Eliminates the written agreement between a district and non-resident special ed student wanting to attend a special ed program.	Sent to House Ed	Now included in School Aid Act
HB 4593 H-6	(Melton) Extends critical shortage window to 8 years. After 3 years, LEAs pay 50% of retiree health care and after 4 years, LEAs pay 100% of retiree health care.	Passed House Sent to Senate Ed	
HB 4796 H-4	(Ward) No public school employees' salary can exceed that of the Governor. A waiver may be requested.	Passed House Sent to Senate Ed	
HB 5506-08 Tie-barred	(Palmer) Prohibits personal use of district leased or owned vehicles by a school superintendent or administrator.	Sent to Intergovernmental Affairs	
HB 5639	(Spade) Allows school boards to give bidding preference of up to 10% for Michigan based companies.	Passed House Sent to Sen. Approps.	Hire Michigan Initiative
HB 6177	(Valentine) Requires PSA boards to be elected by the parents.	Sent to House Ed	
HB 6234	(Spade) Requires administrative certification for school administrators.	Sent to House Ed	
HB 6247	(Hopgood) Allows a parent or other school personnel to request a personal curriculum for students completing one semester of 10 th grade.	Sent to House Ed	
HB 6270	(Bennett) Requires any district to publicize a cost-benefit analysis prior to privatization of any employee group.	Sent to House Ed	
HB 6273	(Pastor) Days lost due to vandalism will be counted as hours of instruction.	Sent to House Ed	
HB 6278 Same as SB 1417	(Law) MDE to develop model program on internet safety & districts will implement in 2009-10.	Sent to House Ed	
HB 6297	(Clemente) Sets rules for ISD's use of Certificates of Deposit	Sent to Banking	
HB 6342	(Mayes) Prior to privatizing any non-instructional services, a school board must publicize a cost-benefit analysis	Sent to House Labor	
HB 6343	(Jones) Schools officials aware of a threat vs. any employee must inform that employee of the threat	Sent to House Education	
HB 6344	(Jones) Current employees may bid to perform contracted services if a district is considering privatizing those services	Sent to House Labor	

Legislative Issues to Watch:

- Bullying
- Age Changes – kindergarten entry / required grade at Age 5 (September 1); Compulsory Attendance to Age 18
- Increase in PSA Charter authority cap
- MMC Personal Curriculum relating to Math requirements; CTE credit options

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SB 282	(Thomas) Requires 30 minutes of Physical Education in grades K-5 two days per week.	Passed Senate Health Policy On Senate Floor	
SB 834	(Switalski) A course in financial literacy counts toward the high school graduation credits in math.	Passed Senate Sent to House Ed	
SB 1013	(Kuipers) If a school fails to make AYP for 5 or more years, certain sanctions will be imposed by state superintendent, up to and including closure.	To Senate Ed	
SB 1039 S-3	(Cassis) Authorizes ISDs to create early intervention programs to help reduce special ed placements.	Passed Senate Testimony in House Ed	
SB 1107	(Jelinek) School Aid Bill for 2008/2009	Enacted as P.A. 268 of 2008	
SB 842 S-4 Tie Bar SB 1275	(Kuipers) Requires all teachers and administrators to have professional development on reading disabilities and MDE to develop a model early intervention program.	Passed Senate Sent to House Ed	
SB 1275 Tie Bar SB 842	(Kuipers) Requires all LEAs to begin a K-3 early intervention program for any student not reading at grade level. Also requires screening and intervention for students in grades 5 and 7 not reading at grade level.	Referred to Senate Appropriations	
SB 1361	(Hardiman) Gives academic freedom to teachers to teach controversial scientific theories.	To Senate Ed	
SB1417 Same as HB 6278	(Pappageorge) MDE to develop model program on Internet Safety & districts will implement in 2009-10.	Sent to Senate Ed	

Public Acts Enacted of Interest:

- MMC requirements; revised for high school transfers (from out-of-state or non-public, takes a Senior Math course, may take competency test to receive credit and must pass Algebra I or transfer credit for same) – SB 403, PA 141 of 2007
- ISD-wide common calendars for Start Date, Winter Break and Spring Break – SB 549, PA 101 of 2007
- ISD study on collaboration of services – HB 4592, PA 63 of 2007