The House Committee on Public Education met on April 13, 2021 to consider several issues, but did not vote out any new legislation.

**TSTA SUPPORTED THE FOLLOWING BILLS:**

- **HB 750**, Burns: would require a district to post the full text of its employment policy on its website.
- **HB 1016**, Ordaz Perez (with written): would require districts to adopt a policy on active shooter drills before conducting the drill.
- **HB 1288**, Reynolds: would move the trustee election for Fort Bend ISD from May to November.
- **HB 1311**, Reynolds: would elect 3 school district trustees from the west side of Fort Bend County, three school district trustees from the east side of the county, and one at-large member to ensure fair representation.
- **HB 2800**, Dean: would eliminate certain STAAR tests which are not federally required.
- **HB 3430**, Landgraf – would create a grant program for districts and charter schools that are designated as community schools.
- **HB 3449**, Price: "tweaks" existing statute by allowing for chiropractors and physical therapists to the concussion oversight team.
- **HB 3485**, Goodwin: would allow for more accessible and readable data of disproportionate school discipline against students of color through the Public Education Information Management System and to parents regarding disciplinary measures used by a school district or open-enrollment charter school.
- **HB 3638**, J. Johnson: would establish an African American studies advisory board by the State Board of Education.
- **HB 3668**, VanDeaver: would limit testing requirements to only those required to comply with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and would eliminate state administered assessments that are not required by ESSA. Grade eight social studies and grades four and seven writing assessments would be eliminated.
- **HB 3889**, Morales Shaw: would require any broadband internet program established by the Texas Education Agency to provide services to low-income students at no cost.
- **HB 4257**, Morales Shaw: allows districts to plan for a crisis with regards to trauma and mental health.
- **HB 24**, Dominguez: would require each school district to provide at least one playground in each district that is inclusive and accessible for students with disabilities.
- **HB 204**, Thierry: Would require a panic button on an app for a phone or tablet to be in every High School Classroom.

**TSTA OPPOSED:**

- **HB 3979**, Toth: would require the State Board of Education would ensure instruction on the government and the founding documents of the United States.

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