Senate Bill 149

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In May 2015 Governor Abbot signed into Law SB 149, which states:

- Any student who did not pass all five EOC can still graduate through an Individual Graduation Committee, (IGC).
- Student must pass three tests to qualify for the IGC
- Student must have retested at least once before IGC can be considered
- IGC must include:
  - Principal or their designee
  - Teacher of course for which student did not pass EOC
  - Department chair or lead teacher supervising the teacher of course
  - Parent or student if they are 18 years old.
TAC 74.1025(m)

A student receiving special education services is not subject to the individual graduation committee requirements in the TEC, §28.0258, or the provisions of this section. As provided in §89.1070 of this title (relating to Graduation Requirements) and §101.3023 of this title (relating to Participation and Graduation Assessment Requirements for Students Receiving Special Education Services), a student's admission, review, and dismissal (ARD) committee determines whether a student is required to achieve satisfactory performance on an EOC assessment to graduate.

The ARD committee makes the decisions for students who receive special education.

*No project or portfolio is needed.
Notwithstanding subsection (c)(3) of this section, a student receiving special education services classified in Grade 11 or 12 during the 2014-2015, 2015-2016, or 2016-2017 school year who has taken each of the state assessments required by Chapter 101, Subchapter CC, of this title (relating to Commissioner's Rules Concerning Implementation of the Academic Content Areas Testing Program) or Subchapter DD of this title (relating to Commissioner's Rules Concerning Substitute Assessments for Graduation) but failed to achieve satisfactory performance on no more than two of the assessments is eligible to receive an endorsement if the student has met the requirements in subsection (c)(1) and (2) of this section.
Student receiving special education services who is classified in Grade 11 or 12 during the 2014-2015, 2015-2016, or 2016-2017 school year may graduate under the recommended or distinguished achievement high school program, as applicable, if the student has taken each of the state assessments required by Chapter 101, Subchapter CC, of this title (relating to Commissioner's Rules Concerning Implementation of the Academic Content Areas Testing Program) or Subchapter DD of this title (relating to Commissioner's Rules Concerning Substitute Assessments for Graduation) but failed to achieve satisfactory performance on no more than two of the assessments and has met all other applicable graduation requirements in paragraph (1) of this subsection.
SB 149-Expiration


TEC 28.0259- Reporting Requirements for students graduation based on IGC review process. (PEIMS reporting of IGC graduates-Expires 9/1-2018

TEC 39.025- TSI satisfying graduation EOC requirement-Expires 9/1/2017
SB 463

Relating to the use of individual graduation committees to satisfy certain public high school graduation requirements.

Bill is eliminating the expiration date of 9/1/2017

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