

HB 1236-S2.E - DIGEST

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 2/10/16)

Requires the office of student financial assistance to make multiple attempts to secure the signature of a student's parent or guardian for the purpose of witnessing the student's college bound scholarship pledge.

Authorizes the office of student financial assistance to partner with the school counselor or administrator to secure the parent's or guardian's signature to witness the pledge if the signature of the parent or guardian is not obtained.

Requires the school counselor or administrator to: (1) Make multiple attempts to secure the parent's or guardian's signature; and

(2) If the signature is still not obtained, indicate to the office of student financial assistance the nature of the unsuccessful efforts to contact the student's parent or guardian and the reasons the signature is not available.

Allows the school counselor or administrator to witness the pledge unless the parent or guardian indicates that he or she does not wish for the student to participate in the program.