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H.B. No. 1959

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a requirement that public school counselors provide parents with information regarding assessment instruments used in the admissions processes of colleges and universities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 33.007, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) In September and January of each school year, a school counselor at a high school, including an open-enrollment charter school offering high school grade levels, shall mail information relating to the SAT, the ACT, and any other national norm-referenced assessment instrument generally used by colleges and universities as part of their undergraduate admissions processes to the home address of the parent or guardian of each student enrolled in grade 11 or 12. The information must include upcoming administration dates for the assessment instruments and associated registration deadlines.

SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2015-2016 school year.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.