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S.B. No. 1900

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to indicators of achievement under the public school accountability system.

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

SECTION 1. Section 39.053(c), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) School districts and campuses must be evaluated based on five domains of indicators of achievement adopted under this section that include:

(1) in the first domain, the results of:

(A) assessment instruments required under Sections 39.023(a), (c), and (1), including the results of assessment instruments required for graduation retaken by a student, aggregated across grade levels by subject area, including:

(i) for the performance standard determined by the commissioner under Section 39.0241(a), the percentage of students who performed satisfactorily on the assessment instruments, aggregated across grade levels by subject area; and

(ii) for the college readiness performance standard as determined under Section 39.0241, the percentage of students who performed satisfactorily on the assessment instruments, aggregated across grade levels by subject area; and

(B) assessment instruments required under Section 39.023(b), aggregated across grade levels by subject area,

1 including the percentage of students who performed satisfactorily
2 on the assessment instruments, as determined by the performance
3 standard adopted by the agency, aggregated across grade levels by
4 subject area;

5 (2) in the second domain:

6 (A) for assessment instruments under Subdivision
7 (1)(A):

8 (i) for the performance standard determined
9 by the commissioner under Section 39.0241(a), the percentage of
10 students who met the standard for annual improvement on the
11 assessment instruments, as determined by the commissioner by rule
12 or by the method for measuring annual improvement under Section
13 39.034, aggregated across grade levels by subject area; and

14 (ii) for the college readiness performance
15 standard as determined under Section 39.0241, the percentage of
16 students who met the standard for annual improvement on the
17 assessment instruments, as determined by the commissioner by rule
18 or by the method for measuring annual improvement under Section
19 39.034, aggregated across grade levels by subject area; and

20 (B) for assessment instruments under Subdivision
21 (1)(B), the percentage of students who met the standard for annual
22 improvement on the assessment instruments, as determined by the
23 commissioner by rule or by the method for measuring annual
24 improvement under Section 39.034, aggregated across grade levels by
25 subject area;

26 (3) in the third domain, the student academic
27 achievement differentials among students from different racial and

1 ethnic groups and socioeconomic backgrounds;

2 (4) in the fourth domain:

3 (A) for evaluating the performance of high school
4 campuses and districts that include high school campuses:

5 (i) dropout rates, including dropout rates
6 and district completion rates for grade levels 9 through 12,
7 computed in accordance with standards and definitions adopted by
8 the National Center for Education Statistics of the United States
9 Department of Education;

10 (ii) high school graduation rates, computed
11 in accordance with standards and definitions adopted in compliance
12 with the Every Student Succeeds Act [~~No Child Left Behind Act of~~
13 ~~2001~~] (20 U.S.C. Section 6301 et seq.);

14 (iii) the percentage of students who
15 successfully completed the curriculum requirements for the
16 distinguished level of achievement under the foundation high school
17 program;

18 (iv) the percentage of students who
19 successfully completed the curriculum requirements for an
20 endorsement under Section 28.025(c-1);

21 (v) the percentage of students who
22 completed a coherent sequence of career and technical courses;

23 (vi) the percentage of students who satisfy
24 the Texas Success Initiative (TSI) college readiness benchmarks
25 prescribed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board under
26 Section 51.3062(f) on an assessment instrument in reading, writing,
27 or mathematics designated by the Texas Higher Education

Coordinating Board under Section 51.3062(c);

(vii) the percentage of students who earn at least 12 hours of postsecondary credit required for the foundation high school program under Section 28.025 or to earn an endorsement under Section 28.025(c-1);

(viii) the percentage of students who have completed an advanced placement course;

(ix) the percentage of students who enlist in the armed forces of the United States; ~~and~~

(x) the percentage of students who earn an industry certification; and

(xi) the percentage of students who earn an associate degree;

(B) for evaluating the performance of middle and junior high school and elementary school campuses and districts that include those campuses:

(i) student attendance; and

(ii) for middle and junior high school campuses:

(a) dropout rates, computed in the manner described by Paragraph (A)(i); and

(b) the percentage of students in grades seven and eight who receive instruction in preparing for high school, college, and a career that includes information regarding the creation of a high school personal graduation plan under Section 28.02121, the distinguished level of achievement described by Section 28.025(b-15), each endorsement described by

1 Section 28.025(c-1), college readiness standards, and potential
2 career choices and the education needed to enter those careers; and

3 (C) any additional indicators of student
4 achievement not associated with performance on standardized
5 assessment instruments determined appropriate for consideration by
6 the commissioner in consultation with educators, parents, business
7 and industry representatives, and employers; and

8 (5) in the fifth domain, three programs or specific
9 categories of performance related to community and student
10 engagement locally selected and evaluated as provided by Section
11 39.0546.

12 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2017-2018
13 school year.

14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
15 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
16 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
17 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
18 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.