By: Miller of Fort Bend

H.B. No. 2453

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to an allotment under the foundation school program for
- 3 students with dyslexia or related disorders.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 42.006(a-1), Education Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (a-1) The commissioner by rule shall require each school
- 8 district and open-enrollment charter school to report through the
- 9 Public Education Information Management System information
- 10 regarding the number of students enrolled in the district or school
- 11 who are identified as having dyslexia or related disorders. The
- 12 agency shall maintain the information provided in accordance with
- 13 this subsection.
- 14 SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 42, Education Code, is
- amended by adding Section 42.1561 to read as follows:
- 16 Sec. 42.1561. ALLOTMENT FOR STUDENT WITH DYSLEXIA OR
- 17 RELATED DISORDER. (a) Subject to Subsection (b), for each student
- 18 that a school district serves who has been identified as having
- 19 dyslexia or a related disorder, the district is entitled to an
- 20 <u>annual allotment equal to the district's adjusted basic allotment</u>
- 21 as determined under Section 42.102 or Section 42.103, as
- 22 applicable, multiplied by 0.2 for each school year or a greater
- 23 amount provided by appropriation.
- 24 (b) A school district is entitled to the allotment under

- 1 <u>Subsection (a) only for a student who:</u>
- 2 (1) is receiving instruction that:
- 3 (A) meets applicable dyslexia program criteria
- 4 established by the agency; and
- 5 (B) is provided by a person with specific
- 6 training in providing that instruction; or
- 7 (2) has received the instruction described by
- 8 Subdivision (1) and is permitted, on the basis of having dyslexia or
- 9 a related disorder, to use modifications in the classroom and
- 10 accommodations in the administration of assessment instruments
- 11 under Section 39.023.
- 12 (c) Funds allotted under this section must be used in
- 13 providing services to students with dyslexia or related disorders.
- 14 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.