By: Sheffield H.B. No. 1993

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT 2 relating to the authorization of independent school districts to 3 use electronic means to notify parents of a student's academic performance. 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 SECTION 1. Section 28.022 of the Education Code is amended 6 by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows: 7 (e) A district that uses an electronic platform for 8

9 communicating student grade and performance information to parents
10 may permit a parent to sign a notice required under Subsections
11 (a)(2) and (a)(3) electronically, so long as the district retains a
12 record verifying the parent's acknowledgment of the required
13 notice. A district that accepts electronic signatures under this
14 subsection must offer parents the option to provide a handwritten
15 signature as provided under subsection (b).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of third-thirds of all 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.