Amend HB 4 (senate committee report) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter J, Chapter 21, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 21.464 to read as follows:

Sec. 21.464. PREKINDERGARTEN TEACHER TRAINING COURSE. (a) The commissioner shall develop a prekindergarten teacher training course to be offered to prekindergarten teachers employed by a school district or open-enrollment charter school.

(b) A course provided under this section shall provide instruction in the development and operation of effective prekindergarten classes, including training in:

(1) the prekindergarten guidelines established by the agency;

(2) effective and systematic instructional techniques for teaching prekindergarten students using the prekindergarten guidelines; and

(3) designing and implementing a comprehensive curriculum in the classroom.