

1-1 By: Taylor of Galveston S.B. No. 825
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 10, 2017; February 27, 2017,
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Education;
1-4 May 1, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 11,
1-5 Nays 0; May 1, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Taylor of Galveston	X			
1-9	Lucio	X			
1-10	Bettencourt	X			
1-11	Campbell	X			
1-12	Hall	X			
1-13	Huffines	X			
1-14	Hughes	X			
1-15	Seliger	X			
1-16	Taylor of Collin	X			
1-17	Uresti	X			
1-18	West	X			

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-20 AN ACT

1-21 relating to school district discretion to administer college
1-22 preparation assessment instruments to public school students at
1-23 state cost.

1-24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-25 SECTION 1. Section 39.0261(a), Education Code, is amended
1-26 to read as follows:

1-27 (a) In addition to the assessment instruments otherwise
1-28 authorized or required by this subchapter:

1-29 (1) each school year and at state cost, a school
1-30 district may ~~shall~~ administer to students in the spring of the
1-31 eighth grade an established, valid, reliable, and nationally
1-32 norm-referenced preliminary college preparation assessment
1-33 instrument for the purpose of diagnosing the academic strengths and
1-34 deficiencies of students before entrance into high school;

1-35 (2) each school year and at state cost, a school
1-36 district may ~~shall~~ administer to students in the 10th grade an
1-37 established, valid, reliable, and nationally norm-referenced
1-38 preliminary college preparation assessment instrument for the
1-39 purpose of measuring a student's progress toward readiness for
1-40 college and the workplace; and

1-41 (3) high school students in the spring of the 11th
1-42 grade or during the 12th grade may select and take once, at state
1-43 cost, one of the valid, reliable, and nationally norm-referenced
1-44 assessment instruments used by colleges and universities as part of
1-45 their undergraduate admissions processes.

1-46 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2017-2018
1-47 school year.

1-48 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-49 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-50 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-51 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-52 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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