

Amend **CSSB 1** as follows:

(1) Add the following appropriately numbered subsection to rider 38 in Article III, Education following the appropriations for the Texas Education Agency:

Out of the funds identified above, the Commissioner shall allocate an amount not to exceed \$300,000 in fiscal year 2010 and \$150,000 in fiscal year 2011 for the development, piloting, and evaluation of pre-Algebra, Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II courses using digital media technologies as the primary instructional delivery platform.

Funds shall be distributed by the Commissioner on a competitive grant basis to a single government, nonprofit, or community-based entity no later than September 30, 2009. To be eligible for funding, organizations must: (1) demonstrate the existence for at least two years of a partnership between education and digital media industries; (2) document previous experience in the development and implementation digital media-based curricula; (3) agree to pilot the four courses in school districts on campuses representative of ethnic, economic status, and academic achievement diversity; (4) present no later than December 1, 2010 a preliminary evaluation report to the Commissioner and House and Senate Committees with oversight responsibility for public education; and (5) confer to the State of Texas all licensing rights associated with the courses.