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H.B. No. 54

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to requiring a school district to reimburse classroom  
3 teachers at certain grade levels for the cost of classroom supplies  
4 purchased with personal money.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 21, Education Code, is  
7 amended by adding Section 21.416 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 21.416. CLASSROOM SUPPLY REIMBURSEMENT. (a) A school  
9 district shall reimburse each classroom teacher employed by the  
10 district who teaches students enrolled at or below the sixth grade  
11 level up to \$600 per school year for the cost of classroom supplies  
12 purchased by the teacher with the teacher's personal money for the  
13 benefit of those students.

14 (b) A classroom teacher may be reimbursed under the  
15 classroom supply reimbursement program established under Section  
16 21.414 for the cost of purchases eligible for reimbursement under  
17 that section for which the teacher is not reimbursed under  
18 Subsection (a).

19 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2017-2018  
20 school year.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the  
2 legislative session.