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S.B. No. 142

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to requiring the state auditor and the State Board of
3 Education to conduct a review of certain assessment instruments
4 administered to public school students.

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

6 SECTION 1. REVIEW OF STAAR AND STAAR ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT
7 INSTRUMENTS. (a) The state auditor, in accordance with Chapter
8 [321](#), Government Code, and the State Board of Education shall
9 conduct a review of each assessment instrument included in the
10 State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) or the
11 State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness Alternate (STAAR
12 Alternate) to determine whether the assessment instrument is able
13 to accurately measure student success.

14 (b) In conducting the review, the state auditor and the
15 State Board of Education shall provide opportunity for comment by
16 parents, educators, and other interested parties.

17 (c) The state auditor and the State Board of Education shall
18 enter into a memorandum of understanding to establish each agency's
19 respective responsibilities in developing and conducting the
20 review.

21 SECTION 2. REPORT. Not later than July 1, 2022, the state
22 auditor and the State Board of Education shall submit a report
23 containing the results of the review required by this Act to the
24 governor, lieutenant governor, and members of the legislature.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.