

Amend the Hardcastle amendment to **CSHB 5** as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 18, strike "and".

(2) On page 1, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

(3) the legislature has, by majority vote, determined that the alternate school finance system enacted in compliance Subdivision (1) of this subsection is at least as equitable in providing state and local funding per student as the school finance system established under Chapters 41, 42, 45, and 46, Education Code, as those chapters existed on January 1, 2003; and

(3) On page 1, line 19, strike "(3)" and substitute "(4)".