

Amend CSSB 186 as follows:

On page 3, between lines 7 and 8, insert SECTION 3 as follows and renumber the subsequent SECTIONS accordingly:

"SECTION 3. The Texas Education Agency shall modify its data collection system to permit the application of the National Center for Education Statistics definition of a dropout to campuses no later than the 2005-06 school year. In the interim, the Texas Education Agency shall assist districts in computing the required rates to the extent necessary to apply for dropout reduction grants funded under section 1803 (20 USC 6553) of the No Child Left Behind Act, Public Law 107-110."