Amend SB 1470 as follows:

(1) In SECTION 1 of the bill (committee printing, page 1, line 12), strike "Subsection (d)" and substitute "Subsections (d) and (f)".

(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill (committee printing, page 1, line 14), strike "is" and substitute "are".

(3) In SECTION 1 of the bill, immediately following amended Subsection (d), Section 29.087, Education Code, as added by Chapter 1514, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001 (committee printing, page 1, between lines 37 and 38), insert the following:

(f) A [Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, a] student participating in a program authorized by this section must have taken the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) and performed satisfactorily on that test [exit-level assessment instruments specified by Section 39.025(a)] before entering the program [or must take those assessment instruments during the first year in which the student is enrolled in the program]. The board of trustees of the school district or the governing body of the open-enrollment charter school operating the program shall adopt a policy that establishes the level of performance considered to be satisfactory for purposes of this subsection [The commissioner may authorize a student to take the assessment instruments required by Section 39.023(a) to be administered to students in grade 10 instead of the exit-level assessment instruments. A student participating in the program may not take the high school equivalency examination unless the student has taken the assessment instruments required by this subsection].