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H.B. No. 1448

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to State Board of Education rules concerning textbooks and
3 to adoption of textbooks by the board.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 31.003, Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 31.003. RULES. The State Board of Education shall
8 ~~may~~ adopt rules, consistent with this chapter, for the adoption,
9 requisition, distribution, care, use, and disposal of textbooks.
10 Rules adopted concerning the adoption of textbooks must ensure that
11 each textbook on a conforming or nonconforming list complies with
12 Section 28.002(h) and with this chapter.

13 SECTION 2. Section 31.024, Education Code, is amended by
14 adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

15 (c) By majority vote, the board shall determine whether a
16 textbook submitted for placement on a conforming or nonconforming
17 list complies with Section 28.002(h) and shall reject under
18 Subsection (a)(2) a textbook that does not comply with Section
19 28.002(h) and with this chapter.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
21 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
22 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
23 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
24 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.