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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to the financing of assessments performed by the Texas 3 School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and the Texas School for 4 the Deaf.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 30, Education Code, is 7 amended by adding Section 30.026 to read as follows:

8 <u>Sec. 30.026. REIMBURSEMENT FOR ASSESSMENT OF DISTRICT AND</u> 9 <u>OPEN-ENROLLMENT CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENTS. On request, a school</u> 10 <u>district or open-enrollment charter school shall reimburse the</u> 11 <u>Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired for the actual cost</u> 12 <u>of assessing a student not seeking admission to the school whom the</u> 13 <u>district or the open-enrollment charter school refers to the school</u> 14 <u>for assessment.</u>

SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 30, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 30.058 to read as follows:

17 Sec. 30.058. REIMBURSEMENT FOR ASSESSMENT OF DISTRICT AND OPEN-ENROLLMENT CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENTS. On request, a school 18 district or open-enrollment charter school shall reimburse the 19 Texas School for the Deaf for the actual cost of assessing a student 20 not seeking admission to the school whom the district or the 21 22 open-enrollment charter school refers to the school for assessment. SECTION 3. This Act applies beginning with the 2003-2004 23 24 school year.

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1 SECTION 4. 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, 2003.