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S.B. No. 1404

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1 relating to the operation of public primary and secondary schools.

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

3 SECTION 1. (a) The commissioner of education shall review
4 the provisions of Subchapter C, Chapter 25, Education Code,
5 pertaining to the operation of public primary and secondary
6 schools, including provisions relating to transfers of students
7 between campuses, districts, and counties; the length of the school
8 day; school day interruptions; the length and the start of the
9 school year; and the permissible number of excused absences for a
10 student, for the purpose of determining whether fiscal efficiencies
11 and improvement in instructional capabilities would result from
12 changes to those provisions.
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14 (b) The commissioner shall present a report of the review
15 required by this section to the 79th Legislature, together with the
16 commissioner's recommendations for changes, by filing a copy of the
17 report not later than December 1, 2004, with the governor, the
18 lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives,
19 and the presiding officers of the committees in each house of the
20 legislature having primary jurisdiction over public primary and
21 secondary education.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.