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S.B. No. 1820

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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AN ACT

relating to criteria for rating the performance of school districts.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 39.072, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The academic excellence indicators adopted under Sections 39.051(b)(1) through (7) and the district's current special education compliance status with the agency shall be the main considerations of the agency in the rating of the district under this section. Additional criteria in the rules may include consideration of:

(1) compliance with statutory requirements and requirements imposed by rule of the State Board of Education under specific statutory authority that relate to:

(A) reporting data through the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS);

(B) the high school graduation requirements under Section 28.025; or

(C) an item listed in Sections 7.056(e)(3)(C)-(I) that applies to the district; ~~and~~

(2) the effectiveness of the district's programs for special populations; and

(3) the effectiveness of the district's career and

1 technology programs.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.