

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. Subsections (b) and (c), Section 39.072, Education Code, are 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 (c) The agency shall evaluate against state standards and
3 shall report the performance of each campus in a district and each
4 open-enrollment charter school on the basis of the campus's
5 performance on the indicators adopted under Sections 39.051(b)(1)
6 through (7). Consideration of the effectiveness of district
7 programs under Subsection (b)(2) or (3) must be based on data
8 collected through the Public Education Information Management
9 System for purposes of accountability under this chapter and
10 include the results of assessments required under Section 39.023.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1820 passed the Senate on May 13, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 30, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1820 passed the House, with amendment, on May 28, 2003, by the following vote: Yeas 144, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor