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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 AN ACT 2 relating to state funding of the Windham School District. 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 4 SECTION 1. Section 19.005(a), Education Code, is amended to 5 read as follows: 6 Any person confined or imprisoned in the department who (a) 7 is not a high school graduate is eligible for programs or services under this chapter [paid for with money from the foundation school 8 To the extent space is available, the district may also 9 fund]. offer programs or services under this chapter [paid for with money 10 11 from the foundation school fund] to persons confined or imprisoned 12 in the department who are high school graduates. SECTION 2. Section 19.007(b), Education Code, is amended to 13 14 read as follows: (b) The costs for persons eligible under Section 19.005 15 16 shall be paid from amounts appropriated to the department for that purpose [the foundation school fund]. 17 SECTION 3. Section 19.008, Education Code, is amended to 18 read as follows: 19 Sec. 19.008. ALLOCATION OF COSTS. (a) 20 The department 21 [commissioner] shall allocate funds to the district [from the 22 foundation school fund] based on an amount, established in the General Appropriations Act, for each contact hour between a teacher 23 and a person eligible under Section 19.005, including associated 24

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administrative costs, for the best 180 of 210 school days in each year of the state fiscal biennium. Those funds may be spent only for district administrative costs related to education and for district educational programs and services and only with the approval of the board.

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6 (b) The <u>department</u> [agency] by rule shall establish a time 7 and manner for the district to report and verify contact hours to 8 the <u>department</u> [agency].

9 SECTION 4. Section 19.007(c), Education Code, is repealed.
10 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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