

By: Dutton

H.B. No. 791

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to evaluation under the public school accountability system of the delivery of library resources.

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

SECTION 1. Section 39.072, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) and amending Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(b-1) Additional criteria in the rules for rating a school district under this section must include consideration of the effectiveness of the district's delivery of resources from school libraries.

(c) The agency shall evaluate against state standards and shall, not later than August 1 of each year, report the performance of each campus in a district and each open-enrollment charter school on the basis of the campus's performance on the indicators adopted under Sections 39.051(b)(1) through (8). Consideration of the effectiveness of district programs under Subsection (b)(2) or (3) must be based on data collected through the Public Education Information Management System for purposes of accountability under this chapter and include the results of assessments required under Section 39.023. Consideration of the effectiveness of district delivery of library resources under Subsection (b-1) must be based on whether a library is located on each campus and whether a librarian is employed by the district to staff a library at each

1 campus.

2 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2007-2008
3 school year.

4 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.