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H.B. No. 3072

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the availability of certain school district financial
3 information on districts' Internet websites.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 39, Education Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 39.205 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 39.205. POSTING OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION ON SCHOOL
8 DISTRICT WEBSITE. (a) This section applies only to a school
9 district that is ranked among the 20 highest in student enrollment,
10 as determined by the commissioner.

11 (b) A school district to which this section applies shall
12 make easily accessible on the district's Internet website:

13 (1) a checking account transaction register that
14 includes, for each check written from a district checking account:

15 (A) the date shown on the check;

16 (B) the name of the person to whom the check was
17 written; and

18 (C) the purpose of the expenditure for which the
19 check was written; and

20 (2) statements of the district's obligated and
21 unobligated fund balances.

22 (c) A school district shall update the information required
23 by Subsection (b) in accordance with commissioner rule.

24 SECTION 2. Not later than November 1, 2007, the

1 commissioner of education shall adopt rules to implement Section
2 39.205, Education Code, as added by this Act. Not later than January
3 1, 2008, each school district to which Section 39.205, Education
4 Code, as added by this Act, applies shall provide access on the
5 district's Internet website to the information required under that
6 section.

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