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H.B. No. 1108

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to providing certain parents with written and audiotaped
3 translations of individualized education programs developed for
4 public school students receiving special education services.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 29.005(d), Education Code, is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 (d) If the child's parent is unable to speak English, the
9 district shall:

10 (1) provide the parent with [~~a~~] written and [~~or~~]
11 audiotaped copies [~~copy~~] of the child's individualized education
12 program translated into Spanish if Spanish is the parent's native
13 language; or

14 (2) if the parent's native language is a language other
15 than Spanish, make a good faith effort to provide the parent with
16 [~~a~~] written and [~~or~~] audiotaped copies [~~copy~~] of the child's
17 individualized education program translated into the parent's
18 native language.

19 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2009-2010
20 school year.

21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.