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H.B. No. 3040

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a review by the commissioner of education of the instructional facilities allotment.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 46, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 46.0021 to read as follows:

Sec. 46.0021. REVIEW OF SCHOOL FACILITIES ALLOTMENT.

(a) The commissioner shall conduct a comprehensive review of the instructional facilities allotment provided under this subchapter to:

(1) evaluate the effectiveness of the allotment in providing necessary financial assistance to school districts seeking to construct, acquire, renovate, or improve instructional facilities; and

(2) consider the appropriateness of increasing the guaranteed level of state and local funds per cent of tax effort under Section 46.003.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2011, the commissioner shall prepare and deliver to the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the presiding officer of each legislative standing committee with primary jurisdiction over primary and secondary education a report addressing the results of the commissioner's review and detailing any recommended changes to the instructional facilities allotment.

1 (c) This section expires September 1, 2011.

2 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.