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H.B. No. 3775

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to planning and preparation time for public school
3 classroom teachers.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 21.404, Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 21.404. PLANNING AND PREPARATION TIME. Each classroom
8 teacher is entitled to at least 900 [~~450~~] minutes within each
9 two-week period for instructional preparation, including
10 parent-teacher conferences, evaluating students' work, and
11 planning. A planning and preparation period under this section may
12 not be less than 45 minutes within the instructional day. During a
13 planning and preparation period, a classroom teacher may not be
14 required to participate in any other activity.

15 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2009-2010
16 school year.

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