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H.B. No. 4557

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the review and adoption cycle for public school textbooks.

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

SECTION 1. Section 31.022(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The State Board of Education shall adopt a review and adoption cycle for textbooks for elementary grade levels, including prekindergarten, and secondary grade levels, for each subject in the required curriculum under Section 28.002. The cycle shall be organized to provide for the board to review and adopt electronic textbooks for a subject before the board reviews and adopts for a subject any textbook that is not an electronic textbook.

SECTION 2. Section 31.022(a), Education Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to the public school textbook review and adoption cycle for a textbook for which the State Board of Education issues a proclamation under Subchapter B, Chapter 31, Education Code, on or after the effective date of this Act. The review and adoption cycle for a textbook for which the State Board of Education issues a proclamation before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect when the proclamation was issued, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
3 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.