A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to adoption of a school district grading policy.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 28, Education Code, is
amended by adding Section 28.0216 to read as follows:

Sec. 28.0216. DISTRICT GRADING POLICY. A school district
shall adopt a grading policy, including provisions for the
assignment of grades on class assignments and examinations, before
each school year. A district grading policy:

(1) must require a classroom teacher to assign a grade
that reflects the student's relative mastery of an assignment;

(2) may not require a classroom teacher to assign a
minimum grade for an assignment without regard to the student's
quality of work; and

(3) may allow a student a reasonable opportunity to
make up or redo a class assignment or examination for which the
student received a failing grade.

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

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