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H.B. No. 2123

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the eligibility of students to have costs of college  
3 advanced placement tests or international baccalaureate  
4 examinations paid under agreements between the commissioner of  
5 education and the College Board and Educational Testing Service or  
6 the International Baccalaureate Organization.

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

8 SECTION 1. Section 28.053(h), Education Code, is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 (h) The commissioner may enter into agreements with the  
11 college board and the International Baccalaureate Organization to  
12 pay for all examinations taken by eligible public school students.  
13 An eligible student is a student [~~one~~] who:

14 (1) takes a college advanced placement or  
15 international baccalaureate course at a public school or who is  
16 recommended by the student's principal or teacher to take the test;  
17 and

18 (2) demonstrates financial need as determined in  
19 accordance with guidelines adopted by the board that are consistent  
20 with the definition of financial need adopted by the college board  
21 or the International Baccalaureate Organization.

22 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.