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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to the days a state assessment instrument may be 3 administered.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 39.023(c-3), Education Code, is amended 6 to read as follows:

7 (c-3) In adopting a schedule for the administration of 8 assessment instruments under this section, the State Board of 9 Education shall require:

10 (1) assessment instruments administered under 11 Subsection (a) to be administered on a schedule so that the first 12 assessment instrument is administered at least two weeks later than 13 the date on which the first assessment instrument was administered 14 under Subsection (a) during the 2006-2007 school year; [and]

15 (2) the spring administration of end-of-course 16 assessment instruments under Subsection (c) to occur in each school 17 district not earlier than the first full week in May, except that 18 the spring administration of the end-of-course assessment 19 instruments in English I, English II, and English III must be 20 permitted to occur at an earlier date; and

21 (3) assessment instruments administered under this 22 section to be administered only on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or 23 Thursday.

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SECTION 2. Section 39.023(c-3), Education Code, as amended

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1 by this Act, applies beginning with the 2011-2012 school year.

2 SECTION 3. 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, 2011.