

By: Smith of Tarrant

H.B. No. 2971

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the confidentiality of documents evaluating the
3 performance of public school teachers and administrators.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 21.355, Education Code, is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 Sec. 21.355. CONFIDENTIALITY. A document evaluating the
8 performance of a teacher or administrator, including a teacher or
9 administrator employed by an open-enrollment charter school, is
10 confidential.

11 SECTION 2. Section 21.355, Education Code, as amended by
12 this Act, applies to each document described by that section,
13 regardless of whether the document was created before, on, or after
14 the effective date of this Act.

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.