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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO._____ BY: MENENDEZ

Amend Section 39.023 on page 22 by adding:

Sec. 39.023. ADOPTION AND ADMINISTRATION OF INSTRUMENTS. (a) The agency shall adopt or develop appropriate criterion-referenced assessment instruments designed to assess essential knowledge and skills in reading, writing, mathematics, social studies, and science. Except as provided by Subsection (a-2), all students, other than students assessed under Subsection (b) or (l) or exempted under Section 39.027, shall be assessed in:

~~(1) mathematics, annually in grades three through seven without the aid of technology and in grade eight with the aid of technology on any assessment instrument that includes algebra;~~

~~(2) reading, annually in grades three through eight;~~

~~(3) writing, including spelling and grammar, in grades four and seven;~~

~~(4) social studies, in grade eight;~~

~~(5) science, in grades five and eight; and~~

any ~~other~~ subject and grade required by federal law.

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