

Amend CSSB 1 (house committee report) as follows:

(1) In Article III, page 16, amend Rider 49 to read as follows:

49. Student Success Initiative. Out of the funds appropriated above in Strategy A.2.1, Statewide Educational Programs, the Commissioner shall expend \$18,250,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2014 and \$18,250,000 in General Revenue in fiscal year 2015 for the Student Success Initiative. Funds shall be distributed to school districts to fund programs targeting the prevention of academic failure. Those programs shall include outreach to educate a parent or guardian of a student on preparing the student for assessments.

From funds referenced in this rider and not to exceed 5 percent of expenditures for the program, the Texas Education Agency shall conduct an evaluation on the Student Success Initiative and produce a final report for the Eighty-fourth Legislature on the effectiveness and implementation of the program, to be delivered in January 2015 to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House, the Legislative Budget Board, and the presiding officers of the standing committees of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over public education.

Any unexpended balances as of August 31, 2014 are hereby appropriated to fiscal year 2015 for the same purpose.