

By: King of Taylor

H.B. No. 863

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to information regarding unfunded state educational mandates imposed on a school district.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 11, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 11.004 to read as follows:

Sec. 11.004. INFORMATION REGARDING UNFUNDED STATE EDUCATIONAL MANDATES. (a) In this section, "state educational mandate" means a statutory provision the implementation of which requires an expenditure by a school district that would not have been required in the absence of the statutory provision or a rule adopted under that provision.

(b) As soon as possible after a regular or special session of the legislature ends, the commissioner shall prepare and submit to the Legislative Budget Board a list of all state educational mandates. Not later than the 30th day after receipt of the list, the Legislative Budget Board shall determine for each mandate:

(1) whether the mandate requires more than a minimal expenditure; and

(2) if the mandate requires more than a minimal expenditure, whether the legislature has appropriated money estimated to be sufficient to meet the expenditure required by the mandate at the time the mandate is effective.

(c) Promptly after each review of state educational

1 mandates required by Subsection (b), the agency and the Legislative  
2 Budget Board shall:

3 (1) post on the Internet websites maintained by the  
4 agency and board a list of each state educational mandate that  
5 requires more than a minimal expenditure and for which the  
6 legislature did not appropriate sufficient money to meet the  
7 required expenditure; and

8 (2) notify each member of the legislature that the  
9 information described in Subdivision (1) is available on the  
10 Internet websites.

11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
12 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
13 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
14 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
15 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.