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S.B. No. 1303

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a comprehensive review by the Texas Education Agency of
3 weights, allotments, and adjustments under the public school
4 finance system.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 42, Education Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 42.012 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 42.012. COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCE
9 WEIGHTS, ALLOTMENTS, AND ADJUSTMENTS. (a) The agency shall
10 conduct a comprehensive review of weights, allotments, and
11 adjustments under the public school finance system, including all
12 current weights, allotments, and adjustments provided under this
13 chapter and any additional weights, allotments, and adjustments
14 that the agency determines may be appropriate.

15 (b) The agency may contract with one or more consultants if
16 necessary to enable the agency to perform its duties under this
17 section.

18 (c) The Legislative Budget Board, the comptroller, the
19 state auditor, and any other state agency, official, or personnel
20 shall cooperate with the agency in carrying out its duties under
21 this section.

22 (d) Not later than December 1, 2014, the agency shall
23 provide a report that:

24 (1) states the findings of the review conducted under

1 this section; and

2 (2) includes recommendations for updated weights,
3 allotments, and adjustments and any other statutory changes
4 considered appropriate by the agency.

5 (e) This section expires January 1, 2015.

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