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S.B. No. 1309

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to assessment alternatives or accommodations for certain
3 public school students in special education programs.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 39.023, Education Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2) to read as follows:

7 (b-1) The agency, in conjunction with appropriate
8 interested persons, shall redevelop assessment instruments adopted
9 or developed under Subsection (b) for administration to
10 significantly cognitively disabled students in a manner consistent
11 with federal law. An assessment instrument under this subsection
12 may not require a teacher to prepare tasks or materials for a
13 student who will be administered such an assessment instrument.

14 (b-2) Assessment instruments redeveloped under Subsection
15 (b-1) shall be administered beginning not later than the 2014-2015
16 school year. This subsection expires September 1, 2015.

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