S.B. No. 1309 1-2 1-3 (In the Senate - Filed March 7, 2013; March 13, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Education; April 18, 2013, 1-4 reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 18, 2013, sent to printer.) 1-5 1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE 1-7 Yea Nav Absent PNV 1-8 Patrick Х 1-9 Х Lucio 1-10 1-11 Campbell Х Х Duncan 1-12 Paxton Х Seliger 1-13 Х Taylor Х 1-14 1**-**15 1**-**16 Van de Putte Х Х West COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 1309 1-17 By: Lucio 1 - 18A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-19 AN ACT 1-20 relating to assessment alternatives or accommodations for certain 1-21 1-22 public school students in special education programs. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: SECTION 1. Section 39.023, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsections (b-1) and (b-2) to read as follows: 1-23 1-24 (b-1) The agency, in conjunction with appropriate interested persons, shall redevelop assessment instruments adopted or developed under Subsection (b) for administration to 1-25 1-26 1-27 significantly cognitively disabled students in a manner consistent 1-28 1-29 with federal law. An assessment instrument under this subsection may not require a teacher to prepare tasks or materials for a student who will be administered such an assessment instrument. 1-30 1-31 1-32 (b-2) Assessment instruments redeveloped under Subsection 1-33 (b-1) shall be administered beginning not later than the 2014-2015 school year. This subsection expires September 1, 2015. 1-34 1-35 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 1-36 1-37 1-38 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013. 1-39

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