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S.B. No. 1311

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a review by the Texas Education Agency of certain  
3 assessment instruments administered to public school students.

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

5 SECTION 1. REVIEW OF STAAR AND STAAR ALTERNATE ASSESSMENT  
6 INSTRUMENTS. (a) The Texas Education Agency shall review each  
7 assessment instrument included in the State of Texas Assessments of  
8 Academic Readiness (STAAR) or the State of Texas Assessments of  
9 Academic Readiness Alternate (STAAR Alternate) to determine  
10 whether the assessment instrument is able to accurately measure  
11 student success.

12 (b) In conducting the review, the agency shall provide  
13 opportunity for comment by parents, educators, and other interested  
14 parties.

15 SECTION 2. REPORT. Not later than July 1, 2014, the Texas  
16 Education Agency shall submit a report containing the results of  
17 the review required by this Act to the governor, lieutenant  
18 governor, and members of the legislature.

19 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect  
20 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members  
21 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas  
22 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for  
23 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2013.