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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the Texas Education Agency developing a strategic plan
- 3 to increase enrollment in state prekindergarten programs.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. (a) The Texas Education Agency shall develop a
- 6 strategic plan to encourage student enrollment in state
- 7 prekindergarten programs. The plan must:
- 8 (1) provide that a state prekindergarten program is
- 9 preferred to student enrollment in a federal Head Start program;
- 10 and
- 11 (2) include strategies for outreach to the parents of
- 12 eligible children to enroll in state prekindergarten programs.
- 13 (b) Not later than December 1, 2016, the Texas Education
- 14 Agency shall deliver to the governor the strategic plan developed
- 15 under Subsection (a) of this section.
- 16 (c) This section expires January 1, 2017.
- 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, 2015.