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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

2 relating to leadership development of public school 3 administrators.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter J, Chapter 21, Education Code, is 6 amended by adding Section 21.4512 to read as follows:

7 <u>Sec. 21.4512. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES FOR</u> 8 <u>ADMINISTRATORS. (a) From funds appropriated for that purpose, the</u> 9 <u>commissioner may develop and award grants to school districts,</u> 10 <u>regional education service centers, nonprofit organizations, and</u> 11 <u>institutions of higher education for establishing and providing</u> 12 <u>advanced leadership development activities in the staff</u> 13 <u>development training of principals and other administrators.</u>

14 (b) The training under this section shall include as core 15 program elements the best practices, as determined by the 16 commissioner, of the most effective administrator preparation 17 programs that are designed to prepare administrators to improve 18 student achievement.

19 (c) The commissioner may give preference to a school 20 district, regional education service center, or institution of 21 higher education conducting leadership development activities 22 under this section that applies for a grant in partnership with a 23 state or national organization that has demonstrated success in the 24 development and implementation of school leadership programs.

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1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 5 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.