

By: Miller of Fort Bend

H.B. No. 3201

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a federal waiver to allow the Texas Education Agency to
3 administer annual assessment instruments based on modified
4 achievement standards for certain public school students.

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

6 SECTION 1. Not later than January 1, 2016, the Texas
7 Education Agency shall apply to the United States Department of
8 Education for a waiver of the federal prohibition on the use of
9 annual assessment instruments based on modified achievement
10 standards for students served by special education services.

11 SECTION 2. After receiving the waiver requested under
12 Section 1 of this Act, the Texas Education Agency shall administer
13 the STAAR-M assessment instrument to eligible special education
14 students beginning with the 2016-2017 school year.

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