

By: Taylor of Galveston

S.B. No. 1896

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to providing public school students tutorials through the state virtual school network for end-of-course assessment instruments required for graduation.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 29, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 29.0845 to read as follows:

Sec. 29.0845. ONLINE TUTORIALS FOR END-OF-COURSE ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENT PREPARATION. (a) The agency shall develop or contract for the development of interactive electronic tutorials that provide a comprehensive review for each end-of-course assessment instrument listed in Section 39.023(c).

(b) From funds appropriated for purposes of this section, the agency shall make the tutorials developed under Subsection (a) available to public school students through the state virtual school network under Chapter 30A.

(b-1) The agency shall provide the tutorials developed under Subsection (a) through the state virtual school network not later than the 2016-2017 school year. This subsection expires September 1, 2017.

(c) A public school student may not be charged a fee for access to a tutorial provided through the state virtual school network under this section or materials used in conjunction with a tutorial.

1        (d) The commissioner shall adopt rules as necessary to  
2 administer this section.

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