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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

BY:

1 Amend C.S.H.B. 21 (house committee report) by adding the
2 following appropriately numbered SECTION and renumbering
3 subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

4 SECTION _____. Subchapter C, Chapter 42, Education Code, is
5 amended by adding Section 42.1531 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 42.1531. LANGUAGE ACQUISITION ALLOTMENT FOR STUDENTS
7 WHO ARE DEAF OR HARD OF HEARING. (a) For each student in average
8 daily attendance who is deaf or hard of hearing and is found to be
9 reading at a level below the age-appropriate reading level for a
10 student without a disability, a school district is entitled to an
11 annual allotment equal to the adjusted basic allotment multiplied
12 by 0.2.

13 (b) Funds allocated under this section, other than an
14 indirect cost allotment established under State Board of Education
15 rule, must be used in providing programs to assist students who are
16 deaf or hard of hearing in acquiring age-appropriate language
17 skills.

18 (c) A school district's allocation under this section may be
19 used only for program and student evaluation, instructional
20 materials and equipment, staff development, supplemental staff
21 expenses, salary supplements for teachers, and other supplies
22 required for quality instruction and for reporting information
23 regarding student progress as required by commissioner rule.

24 (d) A school district may receive funding for a student
25 under this section and Section 42.151 if the student satisfies the
26 requirements of both sections.