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H.B. No. 789

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to minimum scores required for students in certain school districts to pass an examination for acceleration or for credit.

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

SECTION 1. Section 28.023, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(h) This subsection applies only to a school district surrounded by a school district described by Section 11.065(a). Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a school district's board of trustees may establish a minimum required score for each section of an examination for acceleration or an examination for credit approved by the board under Subsection (a) that is higher than the minimum required scores under Subsections (b) and (c), respectively. A minimum required score established by a board of trustees under this subsection:

(1) may be no greater than a score in the 90th percentile;

(2) must be established before the beginning of a school year for examinations to be administered in the school year; and

(3) must apply for at least the entire school year.

SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.