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H.B. No. 2800

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring a school district to reimburse classroom teachers at certain grade levels for the cost of classroom supplies purchased with personal money.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 21, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 21.417 to read as follows:

Sec. 21.417. CLASSROOM SUPPLY REIMBURSEMENT. (a) A school district shall reimburse each classroom teacher employed by the district who teaches students enrolled at or below the sixth grade level up to \$600 per school year for the cost of classroom supplies purchased by the teacher with the teacher's personal money for the benefit of those students.

(b) A classroom teacher may be reimbursed under the classroom supply reimbursement program established under Section 21.414 for the cost of purchases eligible for reimbursement under that section for which the teacher is not reimbursed under Subsection (a).

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

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

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.