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S.B. No. 1696

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study on participation of public schools in a
3 universal lunch program offered through the United States
4 Department of Agriculture.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 33, Education Code, is
7 amended by adding Section 33.9011 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 33.9011. STUDY ON PROVIDING UNIVERSAL LUNCH. (a) Not
9 later than October 1, 2017, the agency, with assistance from the
10 Department of Agriculture, shall conduct a study to determine the
11 school districts and open-enrollment charter schools eligible to
12 provide a universal lunch to all students through participation in
13 the Community Eligibility Provision administered by the United
14 States Department of Agriculture, as provided by the Healthy,
15 Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (Pub. L. No. 111-296).

16 (b) Not later than December 1, 2017, the agency shall:

17 (1) notify each school district and open-enrollment
18 charter school that is eligible to participate in the Community
19 Eligibility Provision; and

20 (2) require each district and school notified under
21 Subdivision (1) to:

22 (A) perform an economic analysis of cost savings
23 that would result from participation in the program; and

24 (B) report the results of the analysis to the

1 agency not later than December 15, 2017.

2 (c) Not later than January 31, 2018, the agency shall submit
3 a report to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house
4 of representatives, and members of the legislature on the number of
5 school districts and open-enrollment charter schools eligible to
6 provide a universal lunch to all students through participation in
7 the Community Eligibility Provision and the potential cost savings
8 that could result from that participation.

9 (d) This section expires September 1, 2018.

10 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
11 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
12 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
13 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
14 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.