

Amend CSHB 3 (senate committee printing) in SECTION 2.043 of the bill, by striking amended Section 39.022, Education Code (page 77, lines 5 through 12), and substituting the following:

Sec. 39.022. ASSESSMENT PROGRAM. The commissioner, after providing for a public hearing in coordination with the State Board of Education, by rule shall create and implement a statewide assessment program that is based on the essential knowledge and skills adopted by the State Board of Education under Subchapter A, Chapter 28, [~~knowledge— and —skills-based~~] to ensure school accountability for student achievement that achieves the goals provided under Section 4.002. After adopting rules under this section, the commissioner [~~State Board of Education~~] shall consider the importance of maintaining stability in the statewide assessment program when adopting any subsequent modification of the rules.