By:  Bell of Kaufman H.B. No. 3710

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to providing public school students and classroom teachers tutorials for end-of-course assessment instruments required for graduation.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter C, Chapter 29, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 29.0845 to read as follows:

Sec. 29.0845.  ONLINE TUTORIALS FOR END-OF-COURSE ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENT PREPARATION. (a) The agency shall develop interactive electronic tutorials that provide a comprehensive review for each end-of-course assessment instrument listed in Section 39.023(c).

(b)  From funds appropriated for purposes of this section, the agency shall make the tutorials developed under Subsection (a) available to public school students and classroom teachers through an online repository for classroom-ready instructional resources operated by the agency.

(b-1)  The agency shall provide the tutorials developed under Subsection (a) through an online repository for classroom-ready instructional resources not later than the 2020-2021 school year. This subsection expires September 1, 2021.

(c)  A public school student or classroom teacher may not be charged a fee for access to a tutorial provided through an online repository for classroom-ready instructional resources under this section or materials used in conjunction with a tutorial.

(d)  The commissioner shall adopt rules as necessary to administer this section.

SECTION 2.  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 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.