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By:  Paxton S.B. No. 2075

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to public school compliance with dyslexia screening and testing requirements.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 7.028(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  Except as provided by Section 29.001(5), 29.010(a), 38.003, or 39.057, the agency may monitor compliance with requirements applicable to a process or program provided by a school district, campus, program, or school granted charters under Chapter 12, including the process described by Subchapter F, Chapter 11, or a program described by Subchapter B, C, D, E, F, H, or I, Chapter 29, or Subchapter A, Chapter 37, [~~or Section 38.003,~~] and the use of funds provided for such a program under Subchapter C, Chapter 42, only as necessary to ensure:

(1)  compliance with federal law and regulations;

(2)  financial accountability, including compliance with grant requirements; and

(3)  data integrity for purposes of:

(A)  the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS); and

(B)  accountability under Chapters 39 and 39A.

SECTION 2.  Section 38.003, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

(c)  Subject to Subsection (c-1), the [~~The~~] State Board of Education shall adopt any rules and standards necessary to administer this section.

(c-1)  The agency by rule shall develop procedures designed to allow the agency to:

(1)  effectively audit and monitor and periodically conduct site visits of all school districts to ensure that districts are complying with this section, including the program approved by the State Board of Education under this section;

(2)  identify any problems school districts experience in complying with this section, including the program approved by the State Board of Education under this section; and

(3)  develop reasonable and appropriate remedial strategies to address school district noncompliance and ensure the purposes of this section are accomplished.

SECTION 3.  This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020 school year.

SECTION 4.  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.