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H.B. No. 199

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to permissible uses of the instructional materials allotment.

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

SECTION 1. Section 31.0211(c), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) Subject to Subsection (d), funds allotted under this section may be used to:

(1) purchase:

(A) materials on the list adopted by the commissioner, as provided by Section 31.0231;

(B) instructional materials, regardless of whether the instructional materials are on the list adopted under Section 31.024;

(C) consumable instructional materials, including workbooks;

(D) instructional materials for use in bilingual education classes, as provided by Section 31.029;

(E) instructional materials for use in college preparatory courses under Section 28.014, as provided by Section 31.031;

(F) supplemental instructional materials, as provided by Section 31.035;

(G) state-developed open education resource

1 instructional materials, as provided by Subchapter B-1;

2 (H) instructional materials and technological
3 equipment under any continuing contracts of the district in effect
4 on September 1, 2011; and

5 (I) technological equipment necessary to support
6 the use of materials included on the list adopted by the
7 commissioner under Section 31.0231 or any instructional materials
8 purchased with an allotment under this section; and

9 (2) pay:

10 (A) for training educational personnel directly
11 involved in student learning in the appropriate use of
12 instructional materials, and for providing for access to
13 technological equipment for instructional use; and

14 (B) the salary and other expenses of an employee
15 who:

16 (i) provides technical support for the use
17 of technological equipment directly involved in student learning;
18 or

19 (ii) is directly involved in:

20 (a) student learning; or

21 (b) addressing the social and
22 emotional health of students.

23 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020
24 school year.

25 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
26 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
27 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this

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1 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

2 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.