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H.B. No. 678

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the public high school graduation credit requirements
3 for a language other than English.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 28.025(b-21), Education Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (b-21) In adopting rules under Subsection (b-1), the State
8 Board of Education shall adopt criteria to allow a student to comply
9 with the curriculum requirement for one credit under Subsection
10 (b-1)(5) by successfully completing at an elementary school either
11 a dual language immersion program under Section 28.0051 or a course
12 in American Sign Language [at an elementary school].

13 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
17 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.