By: Thierry H.B. No. 954

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

- 2 relating to requiring a school district to reimburse classroom
- 3 teachers at certain grade levels for the cost of classroom supplies
- 4 purchased with personal money.

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- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 21, Education Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Section 21.416 to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 21.416. CLASSROOM SUPPLY REIMBURSEMENT. (a) A school
- 9 district shall reimburse each classroom teacher employed by the
- 10 district who teaches students enrolled at or below the ninth grade
- 11 level up to \$600 per school year for the cost of classroom supplies
- 12 purchased by the teacher with the teacher's personal money for the
- 13 benefit of those students.
- 14 (b) A classroom teacher may be reimbursed under the
- 15 classroom supply reimbursement program established under Section
- 16 <u>21.414</u> for the cost of purchases eligible for reimbursement under
- 17 that section for which the teacher is not reimbursed under
- 18 Subsection (a).
- 19 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020
- 20 school year.
- 21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.