

AN ACT

relating to the United States history end-of-course assessment instrument administered to public high school students and reporting requirements for that assessment instrument.

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

SECTION 1. Section 39.023, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c-7) to read as follows:

(c-7) The United States history end-of-course assessment instrument adopted under Subsection (c) must include 10 questions randomly selected by the agency from the civics test administered by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services as part of the naturalization process under the federal Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. Section 1101 et seq.). The agency shall:

(1) ensure that the questions included in the assessment instrument align with the essential knowledge and skills adopted for the United States history course for which the instrument is administered; and

(2) annually issue a report:

(A) providing the questions included in the assessment instrument under this subsection and the answers to those questions; and

(B) detailing student performance on the questions included in the assessment instrument under this subsection, both statewide and disaggregated by school district and

1 campus.

2 SECTION 2. Section 39.023(c-7), Education Code, as added by  
3 this Act, applies beginning with students who enter the ninth grade  
4 during the 2019-2020 school year.

5 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1244 was passed by the House on March 20, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 3, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1244 on May 23, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 138, Nays 1, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1244 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 21, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor