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H.B. No. 2984

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the essential knowledge and skills of the technology  
3 applications curriculum.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 28.002, Education Code, is amended by  
6 adding Subsection (c-3) to read as follows:

7 (c-3) In adopting the essential knowledge and skills for the  
8 technology applications curriculum for kindergarten through grade  
9 eight, the State Board of Education shall adopt essential knowledge  
10 and skills that include coding, computer programming,  
11 computational thinking, and cybersecurity. The State Board of  
12 Education shall review and revise, as needed, the essential  
13 knowledge and skills of the technology applications curriculum  
14 every five years to ensure the curriculum:

15 (1) is relevant to student education; and

16 (2) aligns with current or emerging professions.

17 SECTION 2. Not later than December 31, 2020, the State Board  
18 of Education shall review and revise, as needed, the essential  
19 knowledge and skills of the technology applications curriculum as  
20 required by Section 28.002(c-3), Education Code, as added by this  
21 Act.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
24 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.