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H.B. No. 3005

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to college preparatory courses for public high school students.

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

SECTION 1. Section 28.014, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a) Each school district shall partner with at least one institution of higher education to develop and provide courses in college preparatory mathematics and English language arts. The courses must be designed:

(1) subject to Subsection (a-1), for students at the 11th and 12th grade levels [~~level~~] whose performance on:

(A) an end-of-course assessment instrument required under Section 39.023(c) does not meet college readiness standards; or

(B) coursework, a college entrance examination, or an assessment instrument designated under Section 51.334 indicates that the student is not ready to perform entry-level college coursework; and

(2) to prepare students for success in entry-level college courses.

(a-1) A student at the 11th grade level may take a course provided under Subsection (a) if the student demonstrates to an

1 appropriate campus administrator that the student would otherwise
2 be unable to take the course during the student's 12th grade year
3 and complete the curriculum requirements for high school
4 graduation.

5 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020
6 school year.

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