By: Dutton H.B. No. 4310

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a school district's scope and sequence for subjects in
- 3 the required curriculum for public school students.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 28, Education Code, is
- 6 amended by adding Section 28.0027 to read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 28.0027. DISTRICT CURRICULUM SCOPE AND SEQUENCE. (a)
- 8 In adopting a recommended or designated scope and sequence for a
- 9 subject in the required curriculum under Section 28.002(a) in a
- 10 particular grade level, a school district shall ensure sufficient
- 11 time is provided for teachers to teach and students to learn the
- 12 <u>essential knowledge and skills for that subject and grade level.</u>
- 13 (b) A school district may not penalize a teacher who does
- 14 not follow a recommended or designated scope and sequence for a
- 15 subject in the required curriculum under Section 28.002(a) in a
- 16 particular grade level based on the teacher's determination that
- 17 the teacher's students need more or less time in a specific area to
- 18 demonstrate proficiency in the essential knowledge and skills for
- 19 that subject and grade level.
- 20 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020
- 21 school year.
- 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.