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S.B. No. 1473

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the establishment and use of performance standards for
3 certain secondary-level alternate assessment instruments
4 administered to public school students.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 39.0241, Education Code, is amended by
7 adding Subsection (a-2) to read as follows:

8 (a-2) This subsection applies only to an assessment
9 instrument authorized under Section 39.025(a-1) or Section
10 39.025(a-2), as added by Chapter 1036 (H.B. 1613), Acts of the 84th
11 Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, for use as an alternate
12 assessment instrument for purposes of satisfying the requirements
13 concerning an end-of-course assessment instrument. The
14 commissioner shall designate performance standards for student
15 performance on each assessment instrument subject to this
16 subsection in the same manner as the commissioner designates
17 performance standards for student performance on each
18 end-of-course assessment instrument listed in Section 39.023(c).

19 SECTION 2. Section 39.053, Education Code, is amended by
20 adding Subsection (c-4) to read as follows:

21 (c-4) The commissioner by rule shall determine a method for
22 appropriately crediting a student for growth under Subsection
23 (c)(2) based on the student's performance, as determined under the
24 performance standards designated under Section 39.0241(a-2), on an

1 alternate assessment instrument.

2 SECTION 3. This Act applies beginning with the 2019-2020
3 school year.

4 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.