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S.B. No. 2258

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to procedures for requiring an independent school district to conduct an efficiency audit.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter D, Chapter 11, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 11.184 to read as follows:

Sec. 11.184. EFFICIENCY AUDIT. (a) For purposes of this section, "efficiency audit" means an investigation of the operations of an independent school district to examine fiscal management and efficiency.

(b) The board of trustees of an independent school district shall conduct an efficiency audit if:

(1) a petition requesting the board to conduct an efficiency audit for the district is:

(A) signed not more than 90 days before the date of submission by at least 10 percent of the voters who voted in the most recent election of the board of trustees of the school district; and

(B) submitted to and verified by the board of trustees of the school district; and

(2) a majority of the voters voting in the election under Subsection (c) approve the conducting of the efficiency audit.

(c) If the board of trustees of an independent school

1 district determines the petition satisfies the requirements of
2 Subsection (b)(1)(A) and determines not to conduct an efficiency
3 audit, the board of trustees shall order an election to be held in
4 the district on the first uniform election date that allows
5 sufficient time to comply with other requirements of law.

6 (d) The ballot in an election to authorize an efficiency
7 audit under this section shall be printed to permit voting for or
8 against the proposition: "Requiring _____ Independent School
9 District to conduct an efficiency audit."

10 (e) An independent school district shall pay for an
11 efficiency audit under this section.

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.