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H.B. No. 23

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to providing for the review of certain county departments of education by the Sunset Advisory Commission.

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

SECTION 1. (a) The county department of education in a county with a population of 3.3 million or more according to the most recent federal decennial census is subject to review under Chapter 325, Government Code (Texas Sunset Act), as if the department were a state agency, but the department may not be abolished under that chapter. The review shall be conducted as if the department were scheduled to be abolished September 1, 2023.

(b) The review must assess the department's governance, management, and operating structure, and the department's compliance with legislative requirements.

(c) The department shall pay the cost incurred by the Sunset Advisory Commission in performing a review of the department under this section. The Sunset Advisory Commission shall determine the cost, and the department shall pay the amount promptly on receipt of a statement from the Sunset Advisory Commission detailing the cost.

(d) This Act expires September 1, 2025.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.