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S.B. No. 577

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a study by Texas A&M University--Commerce regarding the  
3 cultural appropriateness of state-administered public school  
4 assessment instruments.

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

6 SECTION 1. STUDY REGARDING CULTURAL APPROPRIATENESS OF  
7 ASSESSMENT INSTRUMENTS. The board of regents of The Texas A&M  
8 University System shall designate a department or entity at Texas  
9 A&M University--Commerce to conduct a study of assessment  
10 instruments administered under Subchapter B, Chapter 39, Education  
11 Code, to determine whether state-administered public school  
12 assessment instruments are culturally appropriate.

13 SECTION 2. REPORT TO LEGISLATURE. Not later than December  
14 31, 2022, the department or entity at Texas A&M  
15 University--Commerce designated by the board of regents shall  
16 submit a report to the legislature that includes the results of the  
17 study conducted under Section 1 of this Act and any associated  
18 recommendations.

19 SECTION 3. EXPIRATION. This Act expires September 1, 2023.

20 SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect  
21 immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members  
22 elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas  
23 Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for  
24 immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2021.