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By:  Rogers H.B. No. 694

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to inclusion of a course on the United States Constitution and the Texas Constitution in the curriculum requirements for public high school students.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 28.025, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-24) to read as follows:

(b-24)  The State Board of Education shall adopt rules requiring students enrolled in high school to complete a course on the United States Constitution and the Texas Constitution as part of a school district's social studies curriculum.

SECTION 2.  Section 28.025(b-24), Education Code, as added by this Act, applies beginning with students who enter the ninth grade during the 2023-2024 school year.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.