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H.B. No. 4870

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring an opt-out policy for accelerated mathematics courses for certain students.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 28, Education Code, is amended by adding Sec. 28.02111 to read as follows:

Sec. 28.02111. STUDENT QUALIFICATION FOR ACCELERATED MATHEMATICS COURSES. (a) School districts shall establish an opt-out policy to enroll students into accelerated math in 6th grade to improve chances of gaining access to Algebra I in 8th grade, to increase the number of students completing advanced math in high school propelling them for college and workforce readiness.

SECTION 2. 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.