

1-1 By: Middleton, Campbell S.B. No. 2497
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 10, 2023; March 23, 2023, read
 1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Education; May 1, 2023,
 1-4 reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute by the
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0; May 1, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-21 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2497 By: Springer

1-22 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-23 AN ACT

1-24 relating to the bilingual education allotment under the public
 1-25 school finance system.

1-26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-27 SECTION 1. Section 29.054, Education Code, is amended by
 1-28 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

1-29 (e) Notwithstanding Section 29.066(c), the agency may
 1-30 require, for purposes of implementing Section 48.105, a school
 1-31 district that is granted an exception under this section to:

1-32 (1) include in the district's Public Education
 1-33 Information Management System (PEIMS) report additional
 1-34 information specified by the agency and relating to the alternative
 1-35 language education methods used by the district; and

1-36 (2) classify the alternative language education
 1-37 method used by the district under the Public Education Information
 1-38 Management System (PEIMS) report as specified by the agency.

1-39 SECTION 2. Section 48.105, Education Code, is amended by
 1-40 adding Subsections (a-1) and (a-2) to read as follows:

1-41 (a-1) The agency shall review school districts that offer
 1-42 alternative language methods approved by the agency under Section
 1-43 29.054(d) and approve districts to receive the allotment under
 1-44 Subsection (a-2) for that biennium in a manner that provides not
 1-45 more than \$10 million total under the allotment to school districts
 1-46 in each biennium. In approving school districts to receive the
 1-47 allotment under this subsection, the agency shall, to the extent
 1-48 possible, approve eligible school districts from a cross section of
 1-49 this state.

1-50 (a-2) For each student in average daily attendance in an
 1-51 alternative language method approved by the agency under Section
 1-52 29.054(d), and offered by a school district approved to receive the
 1-53 allotment under Subsection (a-1), the district is entitled to an
 1-54 annual allotment equal to the basic allotment multiplied by:

1-55 (1) 0.15 for an emergent bilingual student, as defined
 1-56 by Section 29.052, if the student is in an alternative language
 1-57 method using a dual language immersion/one-way or two-way program
 1-58 model; and

1-59 (2) 0.05 for a student not described by Subdivision
 1-60 (1), if the student is in an alternative language method using a

2-1 dual language immersion/two-way program model.

2-2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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