

1-1 By: Martinez Fischer, et al. H.B. No. 4236
1-2 (Senate Sponsor - Bettencourt, et al.)
1-3 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 30, 2025;
1-4 May 1, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Education
1-5 K-16; May 26, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
1-6 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; May 26, 2025,
1-7 sent to printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-9		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-10	Creighton	X			
1-11	Campbell	X			
1-12	Bettencourt	X			
1-13	Hagenbuch			X	
1-14	Hinojosa of Nueces	X			
1-15	King	X			
1-16	Menéndez	X			
1-17	Middleton	X			
1-18	Parker	X			
1-19	Paxton	X			
1-20	West			X	

1-21 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 4236 By: Hinojosa of Nueces

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

1-24 relating to the creation of a study group to evaluate the school
1-25 district property value study conducted by the comptroller of
1-26 public accounts.

1-27 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-28 SECTION 1. (a) In this Act:

1-29 (1) "Comptroller" means the comptroller of public
1-30 accounts.

1-31 (2) "Study" means the school district property value
1-32 study conducted by the comptroller under Section [403.302](#),
1-33 Government Code.

1-34 (3) "Study group" means the school district property
1-35 value study group established by this Act.

1-36 (4) "Taxing unit" has the meaning assigned by Section
1-37 [1.04](#), Tax Code.

1-38 (b) The purpose of the study group is to hold a single public
1-39 meeting to:

1-40 (1) examine the use and effect of the study in the
1-41 annual distribution of state financial aid for public education;
1-42 and

1-43 (2) develop recommendations on alternative methods
1-44 for verifying that valuations of complex properties are determined
1-45 appropriately and included in the study.

1-46 (c) The study group is composed of six members appointed as
1-47 follows:

1-48 (1) three members of the senate, including one
1-49 vice-chair of a standing substantive committee of the senate,
1-50 appointed by the lieutenant governor; and

1-51 (2) three members of the house of representatives,
1-52 including one vice-chair of a standing substantive committee of the
1-53 house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house of
1-54 representatives.

1-55 (d) The study group may request relevant information from
1-56 the comptroller, Texas Education Agency, appraisal districts, and
1-57 taxing units, and the entity receiving the request shall comply
1-58 with the request.

1-59 (e) The study group shall examine the use and effect of the
1-60 study in the annual distribution of state financial aid for public
1-61 education and develop recommendations on alternative methods for

2-1 verifying that valuations of complex properties are determined
2-2 appropriately and included in the study.

2-3 (f) Not later than December 1, 2026, the study group shall
2-4 prepare and submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and
2-5 the speaker of the house of representatives and electronically
2-6 provide each other member of the legislature a report on the use and
2-7 effect of the study and the recommendations developed by the study
2-8 group.

2-9 (g) The study group is abolished and this Act expires
2-10 January 1, 2027.

2-11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-12 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-13 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-14 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-15 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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