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S.B. No. 1363

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to clarification of the essential knowledge and skills of
3 the public school curriculum and the evaluation of conforming
4 curriculum management systems.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 28.002, Education Code, is amended by
7 adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

8 (c-1) In cooperation with the State Board of Education and
9 with the participation of educators, the agency shall develop
10 written materials that provide additional specific guidance
11 regarding the essential knowledge and skills identified in
12 accordance with Subsection (c). The materials must include
13 appropriate clarifiers such as exemplar activities and qualifying
14 statements.

15 SECTION 2. Subchapter A, Chapter 28, Education Code, is
16 amended by adding Section 28.016 to read as follows:

17 Sec. 28.016. CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS. (a) In this
18 section, "curriculum management system" means a comprehensive,
19 fully integrated online computer-based system that:

1 school district needs.

2 (b) As a resource for school districts, the agency shall:

3 (1) evaluate curriculum management systems available
4 in this state, including systems developed by school districts,
5 regional education service centers, and regional education service
6 center cooperatives; and

7 (2) compile a list of curriculum management systems
8 that conform to the essential knowledge and skills of the required
9 curriculum identified under Section 28.002.

10 SECTION 3. This Act does not make an appropriation. A
11 provision in this Act that creates a new governmental program,
12 creates a new entitlement, or imposes a new duty on a governmental
13 entity is not mandatory during a fiscal period for which the
14 legislature has not made a specific appropriation to implement the
15 provision.

16 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
17 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
18 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
19 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
20 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.