

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, a school district is required to offer both foundation and enrichment curriculum. However, as a condition of accreditation, a school district is only required to provide instruction of essential knowledge and skills in the foundation curriculum. As proposed, S.B. 504 provides that a school district must provide instruction of certain essential knowledge and skills in the enrichment curriculum as a condition of accreditation.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 28.002(d), Education Code, to require each district, as a condition of accreditation, to provide instruction in the essential knowledge and skills at appropriate grade levels, except as provided by Section 28.004. Deletes text regarding essential knowledge and skills identified by the board.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective to the 2001-2002 school year.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.