

To the Administrator Addressed

DATE:	February 6, 2020
SUBJECT:	House Bill 3 (HB3) K-2 Diagnostic Update: Commissioner

TEA seeks diagnostic tools for inclusion on the commissioner-approved list for grades 1-2. This correspondence serves as a notice of the launch of a competitive authorization process through which eligible entities can apply for inclusion on the list.

Overview of Changes

House Bill (HB) 3 was passed by the 86th Texas Legislature, 2019, and signed into law by Governor Abbott on June 11, 2019. HB 3 requires the commissioner to ensure a kindergarten through grade 2 reading instrument is made available to districts at no cost. Additionally, TEC 28.006 (b) requires the commissioner to adopt a list of reading instruments that school districts may use to diagnose student reading development and comprehension. On November 21, 2019, the Texas Education Agency (TEA or agency) released an HB 3 in 30 K-2 Diagnostics video, along with a PowerPoint document and related materials.

HB 3 Grade 1 and 2 Diagnostics Update