

MEETING DATE: October 21, 2013

AGENDA ITEM: House Bill 5

PRESENTER: Denise Dugger, Exec. Director Professional Development/Accountability

ALIGNS TO BOARD GOAL(S): Learning ~ The District will provide an aligned, rigorous curriculum, with instructional and technology programs preparing students to meet or exceed all educational standards.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: House Bill 5 became effective on June 10, 2013 and applies beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, except as indicated otherwise. The bill codified changes to the Texas Education Code (TEC) in a number of areas including curriculum, accountability, and assessment. HB5 is designed to instill more flexibility in public education by enabling students to either pursue a traditional path into colleges and universities or move directly into the workforce to help fill what business leaders say is a critical skills shortage.

Curriculum – Provides flexibility for students to develop their talents and pursue their interests.

Assessment – Reduces overreliance on standardized testing to evaluate student performance.

Accountability – Provides for meaningful and informative school ratings.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATIONS:

None – Informational Report

FISCAL NOTE:

None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

None – Informational Report