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### **Development of the 2013 State Accountability System**

#### **An Overview of the Proposed Performance Index Framework**

In 2009, the Texas Legislature passed House Bill (HB) 3, mandating the creation of an entirely new accountability system for 2013. Beginning in the spring of 2012, members of the Accountability Technical Advisory Committee (ATAC) and the Accountability Policy Advisory Committee (APAC) met on numerous occasions to develop a framework for the state-mandated 2013 system. The committee continues to meet to revise the framework based on feedback from TEA and the public.

Throughout the development process, the committees' work and decisions have been guided by the accountability provisions stated in Chapter 39 of the Texas Education Code, which mandates components that must be present in the state accountability system (e.g., student group performance, graduation rates, required improvement provisions, ratings labels, etc.). With the legislative mandates in mind, the ATAC has proposed a framework for the Commission to consider for adoption.

The ATAC has identified four indexes to be used when determining campus and district accountability ratings. The indexes include

- Student Achievement
- Student Progress
- Closing Performance Gaps
- Post-Secondary Readiness

Of the four indicators, only the first indicator, Student Achievement, will be used in determining district and campus ratings for 2013. The remaining indicators, which will be based on growth from 2013 to 2014, will not be used to determine accountability ratings until summer 2014.

The commissioner is expected to release his final decisions for the 2013 accountability system in March. In August 2013, districts and campuses will be notified of their ratings based on the new system. Each district and campus will receive a rating of either "Met Standard" or "Improvement Required".