



FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

BY: Donna Howard

Strike Amendment 840697 by Howard to C.S.H.B. 1, (prefiled amendments packet, page 157) and replace it with the following:

Amend C.S.H.B. 1 (house committee report) in Article III of the bill, immediately following the appropriations to the Texas Education Agency, by adding the following appropriately numbered rider:

____. **Norm-Referenced Assessments.** From General Revenue Funds appropriated above in Strategy B.1.1, Assessment and Accountability System, the Commissioner shall allocate up to \$7,000,000 in each fiscal year of the 2016-17 biennium to pay costs associated with administering norm-referenced assessments for eighth and tenth graders. The allocation directed by this rider is subject to the availability of sufficient funding and secondary in priority to the agency's other appropriations directed in Strategy B.1.1., Assessment and Accountability System.