NAZARETH SCHOOL

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The 85th Texas Legislature amended the Texas Education Code § 28.0211. (Satisfactory Performance on Assessment Instruments Required; Accelerated Instruction) to include a requirement for schools to give notice to each parent of the Admission, Review and Dismissal (ARD) committee options when a student fails a STAAR test.

House Bill 657 amends the Education Code to require the ARD committee of a student who participates in a school district's special education program and who does not perform satisfactorily on a statewide standardized test to meet before the student is administered the test for the second time, and to authorize the ARD committee at such a meeting to promote the student to the next grade level if the committee concludes that the student has made sufficient progress toward the measurable academic goals contained in the student's individualized education program. If the district promotes the student, per the ARD committee decision, the district is not required to provide an additional testing opportunity.

If the committee determines that the student will be administered the assessment a second time the ARD committee will determine the student's accelerated instruction program.