# An Overview of the Components of Texas HB 1

## Funding, best practices, and data

- School district expenditures
- o Best practices clearinghouse
- Measure of annual improvement
- Electronic student record transfer system

#### Sanctions and interventions

- o Identifying technical assistance teams campuses
- Accountability interventions
- School interventions

### Educators and administrators

- o Principal leadership pilot program
- Teacher mentoring
- o Teacher incentives
- Educator Excellence program
- Teacher pay raise and health insurance stipend

## College readiness

- High school allotment
  - HB 1 provides an allotment to each district in the amount of \$275 for each student in grades 9-12 based on Average Daily Attendance
    - For grades 6 12
    - Enhance college readiness
    - Encourage advanced academic opportunities
    - Expand rigorous course work
    - Strengthen alignment with postsecondary
    - Implement success initiatives
- Texas High School Project
  - The Texas Education Agency is a partner in a public-private initiative that is dedicated to improving graduation and college- readiness rates
    - Texas Education Agency, Governor's Office and the Texas Legislature \$148 million
    - Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) \$57 million
    - Michael and Susan Dell Foundation \$55 million
    - Communities Foundation of Texas (serves as the fiscal agent for the BMGF funding)
    - National Instruments \$1 million
- o Texas Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Initiative
  - \$71 million in public/private funding initiative to pilot innovative ways to increase the number of students who enter math, science, and engineering career fields
    - Create 35 T-STEM Academies
    - Establish 5-6 T-STEM Centers supporting schools throughout Texas
    - Develop statewide best practices Network
    - Increase pool of highly qualified STEM teachers and leaders
    - Enhance math/science instruction statewide
    - Increase college graduates in STEM fields
  - Align high school exit and college entrance standards with STEM subjects
- o 4 x 4 High School Curriculum
  - HB 1 requires the completion of four years of both math and science beginning with the 2007 freshman class
  - The intent of this legislation is to create more rigor in math and science for the Senior year which facilitates college readiness
  - Districts must include a research writing component in one or more courses
- Vertical teams
- Strategic action plan