A BILL

To require school districts and schools to conduct the fall administration of the third grade English language arts assessment in November for the 2020-2021 school year and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. Notwithstanding anything in the Revised Code or Administrative Code to the contrary, for the 2020-2021 school year only, the board of education of any city, exempted village, local, joint vocational, or municipal school district, the governing authority of any community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, the governing body of any STEM school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, and the governing authority of any chartered nonpublic school that enrolls students receiving a state scholarship shall conduct the fall administration of the third grade English language arts assessment prescribed under sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0711 of the Revised Code in November of that school year. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall designate dates...
and times for the administration of the assessments prescribed
in this section.

Section 2. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is due
to school closures during the 2019-2020 school year as a result
of the declared pandemic and global health emergency related to
COVID-19. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect.