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Education commissioner claims test wasn't biased

AUSTIN (AP) — The state education commissioner said Tuesday that despite an Equal Employment Opportunity Commission ruling to the contrary, the literacy test teachers were required to pass to keep their jobs didn't discriminate against those who were black or older than 40.

"The test was a fair and accurate measure of the examinees' basic reading and writing skills that was in no way influenced by race or age," Commissioner William Kirby said.

Kirby said another federal agency, the Office of Civil Rights, had looked at the exam and "found no evidence whatsoever of racial discrimination."

In the spring of 1986, all teachers and school administrators had two chances to pass the Texas Examination of Current Administrators and Teachers, or TECAT. Those who failed the test — 1,875 statewide — were not qualified to work in Texas schools that fall.

But the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, in a ruling made public this week, said the test discriminated "against blacks and persons over 40 years of age who took the TECAT in 1986 and were removed from their teaching positions as a result."

The EEOC ruling came in response to complaints filed by several teachers against their school districts, the state of Texas and the State Board of Education, which approved the content and passing score of the exam.

The Texas State Teachers Association represented the teachers before the EEOC. The ruling could affect many of the educators who lost their jobs because of the exam, TSTA officials said.

"We said all along that the test was discriminatory toward blacks and older teachers," Ollie Besteiro, TSTA vice president, said. "This means that school districts will have to go back and review their records to see which former teachers might be eligible for reinstatement, back pay or pension adjustments."

State officials said they planned to negotiate with the EEOC in an attempt to modify or reverse the decision.

"The EEOC ruling — which was made without knowledge of the other, more comprehensive, federal (civil rights) review — relied on in-

complete information that failed to take into account data on statewide results or test development procedures," education commissioner Kirby said.

Kirby said the statewide results showed that 99.29 percent of educators under age 40 passed the test, while 99.64 percent of teachers over 40 passed.

"Older educators did better on the test than younger ones. The results clearly refute the contention

that the test discriminated against individuals on the basis of race or age," Kirby said.

Although minorities, particularly blacks, failed the exam at a statistically significant rate, Kirby said, the examination of the test development, validation, administration and scoring procedures and rebutted any inference of discrimination raised by the statistics.

Galveston citizens prepare for Gilbert

GALVESTON (AP) — The word spread through the flashlight and battery section of Wal-Mart like a gale force wind.

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"They just upgraded it to a Category 5," said a woman who had just heard the news on her car radio.

The shoppers who came in search of quickly disappearing provisions cast nervous glances. No one had to ask about the reference to the Saffir-Simpson scale of hurricane strength.

"I stayed here for (Hurricane) Alicia because I didn't realize how bad it was going to be," said Verne Gordon. "But I vowed I'd never stay again."

On Tuesday afternoon, Hurricane Gilbert was packing 160 mph winds some 1,000 miles away from Galveston, and its course was uncertain. But many residents of the city that once hosted the nation's worst natural disaster, when 6,000 people died in September 1900 hurricane, were taking no chances.

Mrs. Gordon said, "I really think Alicia is what has scared almost all of us. Yesterday we had our regular bridge group, and I would say about half the gals were planning to leave."

In 1983, Alicia killed 21 people, injured 1,800 and caused an estimated \$3 billion in damages when it slammed ashore and blasted Galveston and Houston.

But Alicia was a minimal Category

3 hurricane with top winds of 115 mph, compared to the Galveston winds Tuesday afternoon.

Many of the residents preparing here Tuesday for the arrival of the devastating Hurricane Carla in 1961, the most powerful storm on record.

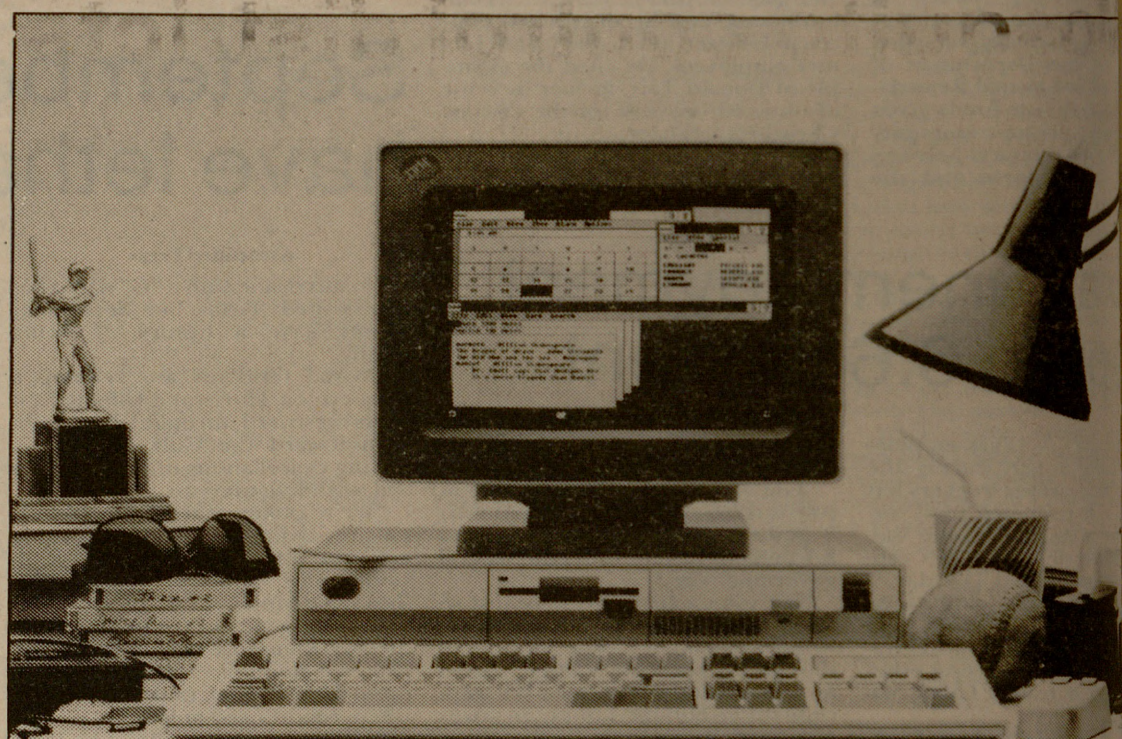
The Rev. John Elliott was in Galveston when Carla stormed ashore with maximum winds of 175 mph. Lavaca, damaging property hundreds of miles and killing 10 people in Texas.

"I was a young fellow then, but I can vividly remember seeing the water flipped over from the towers, meters flooded with crashing waves and dead cows floating in high water," he said.

Elliott, pastor of the Galveston Christian Church in nearby Galveston, said he was encouraging church members to leave Galveston as the hurricane continued toward Texas.

Elliott had loaded up on oil lanterns and flashlights, and he had a lot next to the church was a boat, generators and other equipment brought inland by church members who live near the water, he said.

"You don't go through this like Carla and not take it seriously," he said.



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