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S.B. No. 336

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to compliance programs at public institutions of higher education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 51.971(a)(1), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Compliance program" means a process to assess and ensure compliance by the officers, ~~and~~ employees, agents, contractors, subcontractors, or other persons acting on behalf of an institution of higher education with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and policies, including matters of:

- (A) ethics and standards of conduct;
- (B) financial reporting;
- (C) internal accounting controls; or
- (D) auditing.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.