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S.B. No. 429

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the requirements for a public junior college to receive
3 approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to
4 offer a baccalaureate degree program.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 130.307(b), Education Code, is amended
7 to read as follows:

8 (b) A [~~Except as provided by Subsection (b-1), a~~] public
9 junior college may offer a baccalaureate degree program under this
10 subchapter only if its junior college district[~~+~~

11 [~~(1) had a taxable property valuation amount of not~~
12 ~~less than \$6 billion in the preceding year; and~~

13 [~~(2)~~] received a positive assessment of the overall
14 financial health of the district as reported by the coordinating
15 board.

16 SECTION 2. Section 130.307(b-1), Education Code, is
17 repealed.

18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.