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S.B. No. 2788

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an exemption from the assessment requirements of the Texas Success Initiative for students who achieve certain scores on the PSAT or PreACT.

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

SECTION 1. Section 51.331(b), Education Code, is amended by adding Subdivision (3) to read as follows:

(3) "Student" means a student who enrolls at an institution of higher education in a course or program of study leading to a certificate, degree, or other undergraduate credential or a dual credit course.

SECTION 2. Section 51.338(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A student who has achieved a score set by the board on the PSAT, PreACT, SAT, or ACT is exempt from the requirements of this subchapter. An exemption under this subsection is effective for the five-year period following the date a student takes the test and achieves the standard set by the board.

SECTION 3. The change in law made by this Act applies beginning with the assessment of entering undergraduate students at public institutions of higher education for the 2025 fall semester. The assessment of an entering undergraduate student for an academic term before that semester is governed by the law in effect before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect

1 for that purpose.

2       SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
6 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.