

Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Two-Year Enrollment Growth (2)

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Overview

This rider change would set aside a portion of the funding for "Two-Year Enrollment Growth" for growth at community colleges that have established a new campus as specified in the rider.

Required Actions

On page III-49 of the bill pattern for Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board amend the existing rider as follows:

16. **Dramatic Enrollment Growth Funding for Two-Year Institutions.** Funds appropriated above in Strategy E.1.3, Two-Year Institution Enrollment Growth, are to be used only to assist Public Community/Junior College Districts, Texas State Technical College components, and the Lamar State Colleges that experience dramatic rates of growth in contact hours during the 2004-05 biennium. Funds appropriated under this section shall be allocated according to a formula developed by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board based on the following criteria:

a. Of the amounts appropriated in Strategy E.1.3., the Coordinating Board shall set aside \$5 million in each year to fund growth district wide growth in community college with new campuses as follows: \$4 million for North Harris Montgomery Community College; \$783,500 for Laredo Community College; and \$216,500 for Cisco Junior College. In fiscal year 2004, colleges benefiting from this set aside could receive funding based on any level of district wide growth in contact hours between Fall 2002 and Fall 2003. In fiscal year 2005, funding would be based on any level of district wide growth in contact hours between Fall 2003 and Fall 2004. These colleges would not be eligible for remaining funds appropriated in Strategy E.1.3.

ab. For fiscal year 2004, funding shall be provided for growth in contact hours at community college districts, TSTC components, or Lamar State Colleges which experience an increase in total contact hours in semester length courses of greater than 15

percent between Fall 2002 and Fall 2003 semesters. Funding shall be provided only for contact hour growth greater than 15 percent. For fiscal year 2005, funding shall be provided for contact hour growth in contact hours at community college districts, TSTC components, or Lamar State Colleges which experience an increase in total contact hours in semester length courses of greater than 30 percent between Fall 2002 and Fall 2004 semesters. Funding shall be provided only for contact hour growth greater than 30 percent.

bc. If funds are available after funding Subsection a., in fiscal year 2004, funding shall be provided for growth in contact hours at community college districts, TSTC components, or Lamar State Colleges which experience an increase in total contact hours in semester length courses greater than 8 percent between the Fall 2002 and Fall 2003 semesters and are not included under subsection (a). For fiscal year 2005, funding shall be provided for growth in contact hours at community college districts, TSTC components, or Lamar State Colleges which experience an increase in total contact hours in semester length courses greater than 16 percent between Fall 2002 and Fall 2004 semesters and are not included under subsection (a). For funds allocated under this subsection, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall deduct the first 8 percent of contact hour growth for each eligible two-year community college district, TSTC component, or Lamar State College.