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H.B. No. 682

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to permitting certain military dependents to qualify for
3 automatic admission to general academic teaching institutions.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 51.803, Education Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

7 (a-1) A spouse or dependent child of a member of the armed
8 forces of the United States who is not assigned to duty in Texas but
9 who has previously resided in Texas for a 12-month period is
10 entitled to automatic admission in the manner provided by
11 Subsection (a) for Texas residents if the person:

12 (1) graduated with a grade point average in the top 10
13 percent of the person's high school graduating class in one of the
14 two school years preceding the academic year for which the person is
15 applying for admission and graduated from a public or private high
16 school in this state or in any other place that is accredited by a
17 generally recognized accrediting organization operated in the
18 state or other jurisdiction where the high school is located; and

19 (2) is a Texas resident under Section 54.052 or is
20 entitled to pay tuition and fees at the rate provided for Texas
21 residents under Section 54.058(d) for the academic year for which
22 the person is applying for admission.

23 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies
24 beginning with admissions for the 2004 fall semester.

1 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.