

1-1 By: Giddings (Senate Sponsor - Van de Putte) H.B. No. 757
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 5, 2003;
1-3 May 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Subcommittee on Higher
1-4 Education; May 23, 2003, reported to Committee on Education;
1-5 May 26, 2003, reported favorably, as amended, by the following
1-6 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0, 1 present not voting; May 26, 2003, sent to
1-7 printer.)

1-8 COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1 By: Van de Putte

1-9 Amend H.B. 757 as follows:

1-10 (1) In SECTION 1 of the bill, in proposed Section 61.088(d),
1-11 Education Code (Committee Printing page 1, line 47), add the
1-12 following:

1-13 "The report must include a comparison of the number of
1-14 college acceptances before and after the implementation of the
1-15 program from areas served by the program."

1-16 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-17 AN ACT

1-18 relating to the continuation of the higher education assistance
1-19 pilot program.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Section 61.088, Education Code, as added by
1-22 Chapter 795, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001,
1-23 is renumbered as Section 61.0901, Education Code, and amended to
1-24 read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 61.0901 [~~61.088~~]. HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE [~~PILOT~~]
1-26 PROGRAM. (a) The board shall administer and coordinate the Higher
1-27 Education Assistance [~~Pilot~~] Program to:

1-28 (1) provide to prospective students in [~~three~~] areas
1-29 of this state with the highest number of students who do not attend
1-30 institutions of higher education, as determined by the board,
1-31 information related to enrollment in public or private or
1-32 independent institutions of higher education, including admissions
1-33 and financial aid information; and

1-34 (2) assist those prospective students in completing
1-35 applications related to enrollment in those institutions,
1-36 including admissions and financial aid applications.

1-37 (b) The board shall provide the information and assistance
1-38 required by this section at least twice each year at one or more
1-39 appropriate locations in each area served by the [~~pilot~~] program.

1-40 (c) The board may coordinate with an institution of higher
1-41 education or other entity to provide the information and assistance
1-42 required by this section in each area served by the [~~pilot~~] program.

1-43 (d) Not later than December 1 of each even-numbered year
1-44 [~~August 31, 2003~~], the board shall submit to the legislature a
1-45 report on the effectiveness of the [~~pilot~~] program [~~, including~~
1-46 ~~recommendations on whether to implement the program on a statewide~~
1-47 ~~basis~~].

1-48 [~~(e) The pilot program ends and this section expires August~~
1-49 ~~31, 2003.~~]

1-50 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-51 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-52 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-53 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-54 Act takes effect September 1, 2003, and has the effect of
1-55 reenacting, amending, and renumbering Section 61.088, Education
1-56 Code, as added by Chapter 795, Acts of the 77th Legislature, Regular
1-57 Session, 2001.

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