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H.B. No. 1057

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to providing for a student who qualifies for automatic
3 admission to an institution of higher education to maintain that
4 status for transferring between institutions in certain
5 circumstances.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter U, Chapter 51, Education Code, is
8 amended by adding Section 51.8035 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 51.8035. AUTOMATIC ADMISSION OF APPLICANTS COMPLETING
10 CORE CURRICULUM AT ANOTHER INSTITUTION. (a) In this section:

11 (1) "Core curriculum" means the core curriculum
12 adopted by an institution of higher education under Section 61.822.

13 (2) "Institution of higher education" has the meaning
14 assigned by Section 61.003.

15 (b) A general academic teaching institution shall admit an
16 applicant for admission to the institution as a transfer
17 undergraduate student who:

18 (1) graduated from high school not earlier than the
19 fourth school year before the academic year for which the applicant
20 seeks admission and qualified for automatic admission to a general
21 academic teaching institution under Section 51.803 at the time of
22 graduation; and

23 (2) completed the core curriculum at another
24 institution of higher education.

1 (c) For purposes of this section, transfer semester credit
2 hours from a different institution of higher education and semester
3 credit hours earned by examination may be included in determining
4 whether the person completed the core curriculum at an institution
5 of higher education.

6 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with admissions to a
7 general academic teaching institution for the 2004 spring semester.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
9 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
10 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
11 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
12 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.