1-1 S.B. No. 413 By: Madla (In the Senate - Filed February 7, 2003; February 17, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Education; May 13, 2003, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 7, 1-2 1-3 1-4 1-5 Nays 0; May 13, 2003, sent to printer.)

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

relating to the study of educational opportunities for emergency 1-8 1-9 services personnel.

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

1-10 1-11 SECTION 1. (a) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, in conjunction with the Texas Department of Health and the 1-12 telecommunications infrastructure fund board, shall study ways to make educational opportunities more available to emergency medical 1-13 1-14 1**-**15 1**-**16 services personnel, focusing specifically on rural areas where training and formal education are difficult to obtain for emergency 1-17 medical services personnel.

(b) Not later than January 15, 2005, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the Texas Department of Health, and 1-18 1-19 1-20 1-21 the telecommunications infrastructure fund board shall submit to the legislature a written report containing the findings of the 1-22 study and the recommendations of the department and the boards. 1-23

(c) This section expires September 1, 2005.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 1-24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 1-25 1-26 1-27 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 1-28 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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