## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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## **AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Most military training courses meet or exceed the standards colleges and universities require for academic credit. Many colleges and universities are currently offering academic credit for relevant military training, but there is no current law that addresses this issue.

H.B. 133 requires that colleges and universities accept military training for academic credit, provided that the training satisfies the requirements for the college course and an official record of the successful completion of the relevant training is provided to the institution of higher education.

## **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

## **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter F, Chapter 51, Education Code, by adding Section 51.3041, as follows:

Sec. 51.3041. AWARD OF COURSE CREDIT FOR MILITARY TRAINING. (a) Provides that in this section, "institution of higher education" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003.

(b) Requires an institution of higher education to consider certain factors in determining whether to award course credit toward a degree offered by the institution for the student's completion of certain military training.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2005.