

1-1 By: Brown of Brazos (Senate Sponsor - Ogden) H.B. No. 133  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 16, 2005;  
1-3 May 17, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Education; May 20, 2005, reported favorably by the following vote:  
1-5 Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 20, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the award of academic credit to a student at an  
1-9 institution of higher education for the completion of certain  
1-10 military training.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subchapter F, Chapter 51, Education Code, is  
1-13 amended by adding Section 51.3041 to read as follows:

1-14 Sec. 51.3041. AWARD OF COURSE CREDIT FOR MILITARY TRAINING.

1-15 (a) In this section, "institution of higher education" has the  
1-16 meaning assigned by Section 61.003.

1-17 (b) An institution of higher education shall consider, in  
1-18 determining whether to award to a student course credit toward a  
1-19 degree offered by the institution for the student's completion of  
1-20 certain military training:

1-21 (1) any official military record presented to the  
1-22 institution by the student that:

1-23 (A) describes the substance of the training  
1-24 completed by the student; and

1-25 (B) verifies the student's successful completion  
1-26 of that training; and

1-27 (2) whether the substance of that training satisfies  
1-28 the purpose of the course for which the student seeks credit as  
1-29 described in the institution's course catalog.

1-30 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-31 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-32 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-33 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-34 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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