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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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21 (1) graduated from a public high school in this state	19	has earned through concurrent enrollment at least 59 semester
	20	<pre>credit hours or the equivalent if the student:</pre>
(2) is a resident of this state for purposes	21	(1) graduated from a public high school in this state;
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Subchapter B or is otherwise entitled to pay tuition at the rate

provided for residents of this state; and

- 1 (3) before enrolling in the institution, meets
- 2 applicable assessment standards described by Section 51.3062(f) on
- 3 an assessment instrument designated by the Texas Higher Education
- 4 Coordinating Board for purposes of Section 51.3062.
- 5 (c) A student may not receive an exemption under this
- 6 section for more than 60 semester credit hours or the equivalent.
- 7 <u>(d) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall</u>
- 8 adopt:
- 9 (1) rules governing the granting or denial of an
- 10 <u>exemption under this section</u>, including rules relating to the
- determination of eligibility for an exemption; and
- 12 (2) a uniform application form for an exemption under
- 13 this section.
- 14 SECTION 2. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this
- 15 section, this Act takes effect beginning with the 2006 fall
- 16 semester.
- 17 (b) Not later than January 1, 2006, the Texas Higher
- 18 Education Coordinating Board shall adopt rules and forms for the
- 19 administration of Section 54.2161, Education Code, as added by this
- 20 Act.
- 21 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 22 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 23 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 24 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 25 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.