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H.B. No. 3031

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the eligibility of certain institutions of higher
3 education faculty members to participate in a group benefits
4 program.

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

6 SECTION 1. Add subsection (f) to Section 1551.101,
7 Insurance Code, as follows:

8 (f) An individual is eligible to participate in the group
9 benefits program as provided by Subsection (a) in an academic year
10 if the individual:

11 (1) receives compensation for services rendered to a
12 public junior college district as an adjunct faculty member;

13 (2) has been under contract as an adjunct faculty
14 member by the same junior college district and has taught at least
15 one course in each regular fall and spring semester at a public
16 junior college in the district in the preceding academic year; and

17 (3) is under contract or is scheduled to teach at least
18 nine semester credit hours in the academic year of coverage or, if
19 the individual is also employed by the junior college district to
20 perform nonteaching duties, is under contract or is scheduled to
21 teach at least six semester credit hours in the academic year of
22 coverage and has been approved by the public junior college to
23 participate in the group benefits program.

24 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only

1 to coverage for an academic year that begins on or after December 1,
2 2005.

3 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
7 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.