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H.B. No. 1133

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the effect of changes in enrollment due to military service on state appropriations for public junior colleges.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 130, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 130.0037 to read as follows:

Sec. 130.0037. EFFECT OF DECREASES IN ENROLLMENT DUE TO MILITARY SERVICE ON STATE APPROPRIATION. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, if the student enrollment determined on the basis of contact hours of a public junior college in an academic year has decreased from the preceding academic year by two percent or more and at least two percent of the decrease is a result of students of the public junior college being called to active duty in the armed forces of the United States, including the National Guard, the share of state appropriations determined under Section 130.003 to which the junior college is entitled based on the academic year in which the enrollment decrease occurred shall be determined as if the portion of the enrollment decrease resulting from students being called to active duty did not occur.

(b) The governing board of a public junior college shall certify a decrease in enrollment described by Subsection (a) to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in the manner prescribed by the coordinating board.

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

1 appropriation recommendations for public junior colleges made by
2 the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board on or after the
3 effective date of this Act. Appropriation recommendations for
4 public junior colleges made by the Texas Higher Education
5 Coordinating Board before the effective date of this Act are
6 covered by the law in effect immediately before the effective date
7 of this Act, and the former law is continued in effect for that
8 purpose.

9 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.