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          COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 2074
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                                               A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
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                                                          AN ACT
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           relating
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                                                               the East Williamson
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           Multi-Institution Teaching Center.
                    BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
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                    SECTION 1. Chapter 130, Education Code, is amended by
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           adding Subchapter F to read as follows:
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           SUBCHAPTER F. SPECIAL PROGRAMS OPERATED BY CERTAIN JUNIOR COLLEGE
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                                                       DISTRICTS
                    Sec. 130.091. DEFINITION. In this chapter "institution of
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          higher education" has the meaning assigned by Section 61.003.

Sec. 130.092. EAST WILLIAMSON COUNTY MULTI-INSTITUTION
TEACHING CENTER. (a) The Temple Junior College District may
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           establish, in conjunction with at least one of the following
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          Teaching Center:

(1) Tarleton State University;
(2) Tarleton State University System Center--Central
           institutions, the East Williamson County Multi-Institution
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                             (3)
                                     Texas State Technical College--Waco; or
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                                    another public or private institution of higher
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           education.
                            The center shall provide coordinated higher education
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           opportunities to the residents of the region in which the center is
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           located by offering academic credit courses and programs from the
          member institutions of the center. The center must be administered under a formal agreement entered into by the Temple Junior College District with the other member institutions.

(c) The member institutions of the center shall work with
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           the local community to identify and offer courses that will meet the
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           educational and workforce development goals for the region served
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          by the center.

(d) The member institutions of the center may, under the terms of the formal agreement, make provisions for adequate
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          physical facilities for use by the center.

(e) The member institutions of the center may solicit, accept, and administer, on terms and conditions acceptable to the members, gifts, grants, or donations of any kind and from any source for use by the center.
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                    SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
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          a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
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Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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