

1-1 By: Zaffirini S.B. No. 1053
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 1, 2007; March 14, 2007, read
1-3 first time and referred to Subcommittee on Higher Education;
1-4 April 4, 2007, reported favorably from Committee on Education by
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; April 4, 2007, sent to
1-6 printer.)

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to assessing the quality and effectiveness of academic
1-10 advising services offered by public institutions of higher
1-11 education.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is
1-14 amended by adding Section 61.071 to read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 61.071. ACADEMIC ADVISING ASSESSMENT. (a) The board
1-16 shall establish a method for assessing the quality and
1-17 effectiveness of academic advising services available to students
1-18 at each institution of higher education. In establishing the
1-19 method of assessment, the board shall consult with representatives
1-20 from institutions of higher education, including academic advisors
1-21 and other professionals the board considers appropriate.

1-22 (b) The method of assessment established under this section
1-23 must:

1-24 (1) include the use of student surveys; and

1-25 (2) identify objective, quantifiable measures for
1-26 determining the quality and effectiveness of academic advising
1-27 services at an institution of higher education.

1-28 (c) Not later than September 1, 2008, the board shall
1-29 establish a method of assessment as required by this section. This
1-30 subsection expires October 1, 2008.

1-31 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
1-32 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
1-33 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
1-34 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
1-35 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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