

House Bill 2074
Senate Amendments
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SECTION 1. Section 87.861(d), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subchapter, Texas A&M University--Central Texas may not operate as a general academic teaching institution until the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board certifies that enrollment at the Tarleton State University System Center--Central Texas in Killeen has reached an enrollment equivalent of 1,000 full-time students for one semester. In computing the full-time student enrollment equivalent for a semester under this subsection, the coordinating board shall include any semester credit hours completed at the East Williamson County Multi-Institution Teaching Center under Section 130.092 in courses conducted by the faculty of the Tarleton State University System Center--Central Texas, or its successor.

SECTION 2. Chapter 130, Education Code, is amended by adding Subchapter F to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER F. SPECIAL PROGRAMS OPERATED BY CERTAIN JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICTS

Sec. 130.091. DEFINITION. In this chapter "institution of 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 shall establish, in

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No equivalent provision.

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conjunction with at least one of the following institutions, the East Williamson County Multi-Institution Teaching Center:

(1) Tarleton State University;

(2) Tarleton State University System Center--Central Texas;

(3) Texas State Technical College--Waco; or

(4) another public or private institution of higher education.

(b) The center shall provide coordinated higher education opportunities to the residents of the region in which the center is 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 the local community to identify and offer courses that will meet the educational and workforce development goals for the region served by the center.

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

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it

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conjunction with at least one of the following institutions, the East Williamson County Multi-Institution Teaching Center:

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SECTION 2. Same as House version.

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receives 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 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

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