

Amend SB 175 (Senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) In the recital to SECTION 1 of the bill (page 1, line 12), strike "(a-1) and (a-2)" and substitute "(a-1), (a-2), and (g)".

(2) In SECTION 1 of the bill, immediately following added Section 51.803(a-2), Education Code (page 2, between lines 16 and 17), insert the following:

(g) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board by rule shall develop and implement a program to increase and enhance the efforts of general academic teaching institutions in conducting outreach to academically high-performing high school seniors in this state who are likely to be eligible for automatic admission under Subsection (a) to provide to those students information and counseling regarding the operation of this section and other opportunities, including financial assistance, available to those students for success at public institutions of higher education in this state. Under the program, the coordinating board, after gathering information and recommendations from available sources and examining current outreach practices by institutions in this state and in other states, shall prescribe best practices guidelines and standards to be used by general academic teaching institutions in conducting the student outreach described by this subsection.