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H.B. No. 66

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the establishment of a school of law at The University
3 of Texas at Brownsville.

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

5 SECTION 1. Chapter 78, Education Code, is amended by adding
6 Section 78.11 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 78.11. SCHOOL OF LAW. (a) The board shall establish
8 and maintain a school of law as a professional school of the
9 university.

10 (b) The board may prescribe courses leading to customary
11 degrees offered at other leading American schools of law and may
12 award those degrees.

13 (c) The school of law shall be located in Cameron County.

14 SECTION 2. Not later than December 1, 2009, the Texas
15 Higher Education Coordinating Board shall prepare a feasibility
16 study to assist the board of regents of The University of Texas
17 System in establishing a law school as provided by this Act.

18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
20 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.