

AN ACT

relating to designation of Midwestern State University as a public liberal arts university.

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

SECTION 1. Section 103.07, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 103.07. GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES. The board shall build and operate a public liberal arts university [~~state college~~] of the first rank to offer the university's students, consistent with the university's mission, preparation for excellence in a variety of careers and exploration of a variety of interests. The university [~~that will compare favorably with the other splendid colleges in Texas in the preparation of youth for the varied interests and industries in the section in which the university is located, and this college~~] shall be equipped as necessary [~~adequately~~] to do its work as well as comparable public institutions of higher education in this state [~~other state colleges~~].

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it 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, 2009.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 602 was passed by the House on April 9, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 148, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 602 was passed by the Senate on April 30, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor