By: Castro H.B. No. 3296

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to alternative developmental education courses under the
- 3 Texas Success Initiative for institutions of higher education.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 51.3062(i), Education Code, is amended
- 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (i) The institution of higher education may refer a student
- 8 to developmental coursework as considered necessary by the
- 9 institution to address a student's deficiencies in the student's
- 10 readiness to perform freshman-level academic coursework, except
- 11 that the institution may not require enrollment in developmental
- 12 coursework with respect to a student previously determined by any
- 13 institution of higher education to have met college-readiness
- 14 standards. If an institution of higher education requires a
- 15 student to enroll in developmental coursework, the institution must
- 16 offer the student the option of enrolling in developmental
- 17 coursework in an intensive or compressed format that allows the
- 18 student to enroll in developmental courses without substantially
- 19 conflicting with other coursework or the student's overall academic
- 20 progress.
- 21 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies
- 22 beginning with the 2010-2011 academic year.
- 23 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 24 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as

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- 1 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 2 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 3 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.