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H.B. No. 3885

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a study of the effectiveness of the success initiative  
3 assessment and developmental coursework requirements and the  
4 implementation of a pilot program regarding student readiness for  
5 college-level work.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 51.3062, Education Code, is amended by  
8 adding Subsections (o-1) and (o-2) to read as follows:

9 (o-1) As a result of its evaluation under Subsection (o),  
10 the board shall establish pilot programs, using funds appropriated  
11 to the board, at institutions of higher education to develop  
12 innovative strategies for addressing a student's deficiencies in  
13 the student's readiness to perform freshman-level academic  
14 coursework.

15 (o-2) In connection with its evaluation under Subsection  
16 (o), the board shall perform an analysis of the effectiveness of the  
17 requirements of this section in efficiently meeting the needs of  
18 students in becoming ready to perform freshman-level academic  
19 coursework. The analysis must examine the effects of the  
20 requirements of this section on the progress and success of  
21 students who enroll in an institution of higher education. Based on  
22 the analysis, the board shall make recommendations for improving  
23 developmental coursework and assessments, including  
24 recommendations for legislation, and shall report its findings and

1 recommendations to each institution of higher education and the  
2 legislature not later than November 1, 2010. This subsection  
3 expires January 1, 2011.

4 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.