

AN ACT

relating to the formula funding for public institutions of higher education for certain credit hours that do not count toward a degree.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (d), Section 61.0595, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(d) The following are not counted for purposes of determining whether the student has previously earned the number of semester credit hours specified by Subsection (a):

(1) semester credit hours earned by the student before receiving an associate or ~~a~~ baccalaureate degree that has previously been awarded to the student;

(2) semester credit hours earned by the student by examination or under any other procedure by which credit is earned without registering for a course for which tuition is charged;

(3) credit for a remedial education course, a technical course, a workforce education course funded according to contact hours, a dual credit course for which the student received credit toward a high school diploma, or another course that does not count toward a degree program at the institution; and

(4) semester credit hours earned by the student at a private institution or an out-of-state institution.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Section

1 61.0595, Education Code, applies beginning with the funding  
2 recommendations made under Section 61.059, Education Code, for the  
3 2011-2012 academic year.

4       SECTION 3. 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.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1343 passed the Senate on May 4, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 30, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1343 passed the House, with amendment, on May 27, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 148, Nays 0, one present not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

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Date

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Governor