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1-6 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 2258 By: Patrick

1-7 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-8 AN ACT

1-9 relating to intensive summer programs for public school students  
1-10 and to college readiness programs at public institutions of higher  
1-11 education.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 29.098, Education Code, is amended to  
1-14 read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 29.098. INTENSIVE SUMMER PROGRAMS. (a) ~~The [In this~~  
1-16 ~~section, "pilot program" means the intensive summer pilot program~~  
1-17 ~~for students identified as being at risk of dropping out of school~~  
1-18 ~~or college.~~

1-19 ~~[(b) From funds appropriated for that purpose, the]~~  
1-20 ~~commissioner [of education and the commissioner of higher education~~  
1-21 ~~by rule] shall [establish a pilot program to] award grants to~~  
1-22 ~~participating campuses to provide intensive academic instruction~~  
1-23 ~~during the period in which school is recessed for the summer~~  
1-24 ~~[semester] to promote college and workforce readiness to students~~  
1-25 ~~identified as being at risk of dropping out of school, as defined by~~  
1-26 ~~Section 29.081 [or college]. A grant awarded under this section may~~  
1-27 ~~be used to fund any of the following categories of programs:~~

1-28 (1) ~~[a program administered by an institution of~~  
1-29 ~~higher education to provide intensive academic instruction in~~  
1-30 ~~English language arts, mathematics, and science to facilitate the~~  
1-31 ~~student's transition from high school to a postsecondary~~  
1-32 ~~institution;~~

1-33 ~~[(2)] a program administered by a school district in~~  
1-34 ~~partnership with an institution of higher education to provide~~  
1-35 ~~intensive academic instruction in English language arts,~~  
1-36 ~~mathematics, and science to promote high school completion and~~  
1-37 ~~college readiness; and~~

1-38 (2) ~~[(3)] a program administered by a school district~~  
1-39 ~~in partnership with an institution of higher education to provide~~  
1-40 ~~intensive academic instruction in reading and mathematics to~~  
1-41 ~~students in grades six through eight to promote high school~~  
1-42 ~~completion and college readiness.~~

1-43 (b) ~~[(c)] The commissioner [of education] may select for~~  
1-44 ~~participation in the pilot program only a campus that is eligible~~  
1-45 ~~under the criteria established under Section 39.358.~~

1-46 (c) ~~[(d) A grant may be awarded to an institution of higher~~  
1-47 ~~education for a program administered under Subsection (b)(1) only~~  
1-48 ~~if at least 50 percent of the students served in the program:~~

1-49 ~~[(1) have a score on the Scholastic Assessment Test~~  
1-50 ~~(SAT) or American College Test (ACT) that is equal to a score less~~  
1-51 ~~than the national mean score;~~

1-52 ~~[(2) have been awarded a grant under the federal Pell~~  
1-53 ~~grant program;~~

1-54 ~~[(3) are at least 20 years of age on the date the~~  
1-55 ~~student initially enrolls in the institution of higher education;~~  
1-56 ~~or~~

1-57 ~~[(4) have enrolled or will initially enroll as a~~  
1-58 ~~part-time student.~~

1-59 (e) ~~A program supported by a grant to provide intensive~~  
1-60 ~~summer instruction under this section must:~~

1-61 ~~[(1) provide rigorous academic instruction;~~

1-62 ~~[(2) provide at least four weeks of instruction; and~~

1-63 ~~[(3) for a program described by Subsection (b)(2) or~~

2-1 ~~(3), be designed and implemented in partnership with an institution~~  
2-2 ~~of higher education.~~

2-3 ~~[(f) To the extent practicable, an institution of higher~~  
2-4 ~~education shall create work-study opportunities for students~~  
2-5 ~~enrolled in teacher preparation programs to assist in providing~~  
2-6 ~~instruction in programs described by this section.~~

2-7 ~~[(g)]~~ A grant awarded under this section:  
2-8 (1) may not exceed \$750 for each participating  
2-9 student; and

2-10 (2) must be matched by not less than \$250 for each  
2-11 participating student in other federal, state, or local funds,  
2-12 including private donations.

2-13 ~~(d) [(h)]~~ For purposes of Subsection (c)(2) ~~[(g)(2)]~~, a  
2-14 school district is encouraged to use funds allocated under Section  
2-15 42.2516(b)(3).

2-16 ~~(e) [(i)]~~ A grant awarded under this section may not be used  
2-17 to replace federal, state, or local funds previously spent on a  
2-18 summer intensive program, but may be used to expand an existing  
2-19 program.

2-20 ~~(f) [(j)]~~ The entire amount of a grant awarded under this  
2-21 section:

2-22 (1) must fund the program described in the application  
2-23 for the grant; and

2-24 (2) may be used for:

2-25 (A) instructional materials;

2-26 (B) technology used primarily for the delivery of  
2-27 supplementary instruction;

2-28 (C) teacher training and professional  
2-29 development, including educator stipends; and

2-30 (D) other necessary costs, as determined by the  
2-31 commissioner ~~[of education]~~.

2-32 ~~(g) [(k)]~~ Instructional materials adopted by the State  
2-33 Board of Education shall be used for instruction in a program under  
2-34 this section ~~[Subsection (b)(2) or (3)]~~. The State Board of  
2-35 Education may adopt any additional instructional materials as  
2-36 necessary for a program under this section ~~[Subsection (b)(2) or~~  
2-37 ~~(3)]. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board may adopt~~  
2-38 ~~instructional materials as necessary for students enrolled in a~~  
2-39 ~~program under Subsection (b)(1)].~~

2-40 ~~(h) [(l)]~~ The State Board of Education ~~[and the Texas Higher~~  
2-41 ~~Education Coordinating Board]~~ shall include information technology  
2-42 instructional resources that incorporate established best  
2-43 practices for instruction among approved instructional materials  
2-44 for intensive summer programs under this section to enhance the  
2-45 effectiveness of the programs.

2-46 SECTION 2. Section 61.0762, Education Code, is amended to  
2-47 read as follows:

2-48 Sec. 61.0762. PROGRAMS TO ENHANCE STUDENT SUCCESS. (a) To  
2-49 implement the college readiness and success strategic action plan  
2-50 adopted under Section 61.0761 and to enhance the success of  
2-51 students at institutions of higher education, the board by rule  
2-52 shall ~~[develop]~~:

2-53 (1) develop ~~[summer]~~ higher education bridge programs  
2-54 in the subject areas of mathematics, science, social science, or  
2-55 [and] English language arts to increase student success by reducing  
2-56 the need for developmental education;

2-57 (2) develop incentive programs for institutions of  
2-58 higher education that implement research-based, innovative  
2-59 developmental education initiatives;

2-60 (3) award grants to institutions of higher education  
2-61 for intensive programs designed to address the needs of students at  
2-62 risk of dropping out of college ~~[financial assistance programs for~~  
2-63 ~~educationally disadvantaged students, as defined by Section 5.001,~~  
2-64 ~~who take college entrance and college readiness assessment~~  
2-65 ~~instruments];~~

2-66 (4) develop professional development programs for  
2-67 faculty of institutions of higher education on college readiness  
2-68 standards and the implications of such standards on instruction;  
2-69 and

3-1 (5) develop other programs as determined by the board  
3-2 that support the participation and success goals in "Closing the  
3-3 Gaps," the state's master plan for higher education.

3-4 (b) The board may award a grant under Subsection (a)(3) to  
3-5 an institution of higher education only if at least 50 percent of  
3-6 the students served in the program:

3-7 (1) have a score on the Scholastic Assessment Test  
3-8 (SAT) or American College Test (ACT) that is less than the national  
3-9 mean score for that test;

3-10 (2) have been awarded a grant under the federal Pell  
3-11 grant program;

3-12 (3) are at least 20 years of age on the date the  
3-13 student enrolls as a first-time freshman in the institution of  
3-14 higher education;

3-15 (4) have enrolled or will initially enroll as a  
3-16 part-time student; or

3-17 (5) meet any other requirements established by the  
3-18 board.

3-19 SECTION 3. Section 39.363, Education Code, is amended to  
3-20 read as follows:

3-21 Sec. 39.363. FUNDING FOR CERTAIN PROGRAMS. (a) From funds  
3-22 appropriated, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall  
3-23 allocate \$8.75 million each year to establish mathematics, science,  
3-24 and technology teacher preparation academies under Section 21.462,  
3-25 provide funding to the commissioner of education to [and] implement  
3-26 and administer the program under Section 29.098, and award grants  
3-27 under Section 61.0762(a)(3).

3-28 (b) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall  
3-29 establish mathematics, science, and technology teacher preparation  
3-30 academies under Section 21.462, provide funding to the commissioner  
3-31 of education to [and] implement and administer the program under  
3-32 Section 29.098, and award grants under Section 61.0762(a)(3) in a  
3-33 manner consistent with the goals of this subchapter and the goals in  
3-34 "Closing the Gaps," the state's master plan for higher education.

3-35 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
3-36 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
3-37 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
3-38 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
3-39 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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