

AN ACT

relating to training for members of governing boards of public junior college districts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 61.084, Education Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (e), (f), and (g) to read as follows:

(a) The board by rule shall establish a training program for members of the governing boards of institutions of higher education. Each member of a governing board of an institution of higher education [~~the members of which are appointed~~] shall attend, during the member's first two years of service as a member of a governing board of an institution of higher education, at least one training program under this section. [~~A member of a governing board of an institution of higher education the members of which are elected may attend a training program conducted under this section.~~] A member of a governing board who is required to attend a training program under this section may~~[, but need not,]~~ attend additional training programs under this section.

(e) In addition to the content of the instruction at a training program required under Subsection (d), topics covered by the training program for members of a governing board of a public junior college district must include information about best practices in campus financial management, financial ratio

1 analysis, and case studies using financial indicators.

2 (f) The minutes of the last regular meeting held by a
3 governing board of a public junior college district during a
4 calendar year must reflect whether each member of the governing
5 board has completed any training required to be completed by the
6 member under this section as of the meeting date.

7 (g) The board shall provide an equivalent training program
8 by electronic means in the event a member of a governing board is
9 unable to attend the training program required by this section.
10 Completion of the training program by electronic means is deemed to
11 satisfy the requirements of this section.

12 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1206 was passed by the House on April 18, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 8, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1206 on May 27, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 101, Nays 36, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1206 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 25, 2011, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor