

House Bill 2909
Senate Amendments
Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 29.911, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 29.911. GENERATION TEXAS [~~"EDUCATION: GO GET IT"~~] WEEK.

SECTION 2. Sections 29.911(a) and (b), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) To educate middle school, junior high school, and high school students about the importance of higher education, each school district and each open-enrollment charter school offering any of those grade levels shall designate one week during the school year as Generation Texas [~~"Education: Go Get It"~~] Week.

(b) During the designated week, each middle school, junior high school, and high school shall provide students with comprehensive grade-appropriate information regarding the pursuit of higher education. The information provided must include information regarding:

- (1) higher education options available to students;
- (2) standard admission requirements for institutions of higher education, including:
 - (A) overall high school grade point average;
 - (B) required curriculum; [~~and~~]
 - (C) college readiness standards and expectations as determined under Section 28.008; and
 - (D) scores necessary on generally recognized tests or assessment instruments used in admissions determinations, including the Scholastic Assessment Test and the American College Test;
- (3) automatic admission of certain students to general academic teaching institutions as provided by Section 51.803;

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SECTION 1. Same as House version.

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and

(4) financial aid availability and requirements, including the financial aid information provided by counselors under Section 33.007(b).

No equivalent provision.

SECTION 3. Section 61.9701(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The campaign must [~~may~~] include the provision of information on:

- (1) the benefits of obtaining a postsecondary education;
- (2) the types of institutions of higher education and degree programs available;
- (3) the academic preparation needed to successfully pursue a postsecondary education as determined under Section 28.008 and any other requirements for enrollment at an institution of higher education; and
- (4) how to obtain financial aid and what forms of financial aid are available.

SECTION 4. Section 61.9703, Education Code, is amended

SECTION 3. Section 61.076(c), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The co-chairs may appoint six [~~three~~] additional members who are education professionals, agency representatives, business representatives, or other members of the community. Members appointed to the council under this subsection serve two-year terms expiring February 1 of each odd-numbered year.

SECTION 4. Same as House version.

SECTION 5. Same as House version.

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to read as follows:

Sec. 61.9703. COORDINATION WITH OTHER ENTITIES ~~[AGENCIES]~~. The board ~~shall~~ ~~[may]~~ coordinate with the Texas Education Agency, the P-16 Council established under Section 61.076, and other appropriate entities, including regional P-16 councils and businesses, to ~~[agencies as necessary to develop and]~~ implement the public awareness campaign.

SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2011.

SECTION 6. Same as House version.