

Amend CSHB 5 (senate committee printing) as follows:

(1) Between SECTION 13 of the bill, amending Section 28.0253(e), Education Code and SECTION 14 of the bill, amending Sections 28.027(a) and (b), Education Code (page 10, between lines 52 and 53), insert an appropriately numbered new SECTION to read as follows:

SECTION _____. (a) Section 28.026, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 28.026. NOTICE OF REQUIREMENTS FOR AUTOMATIC COLLEGE ADMISSION AND FINANCIAL AID. (a) The board of trustees of a school district and the governing body of each open-enrollment charter school that provides a high school shall require each high school in the district or provided by the charter school, as applicable, to post appropriate signs in each counselor's office, in each principal's office, and in each administrative building indicating the substance of Section 51.803 regarding automatic college admission and stating the curriculum requirements for financial aid authorized under Title 3. To assist in the dissemination of that [~~this~~] information, the [~~school~~] district or charter school shall:

(1) require that each high school counselor and class advisor be provided a detailed explanation of the substance of Section 51.803 and the curriculum requirements for financial aid authorized under Title 3;

(2) provide each district or school student, at the time the student first registers for one or more classes required for high school graduation, with a written notification, including a detailed explanation in plain language, of the substance of Section 51.803, the curriculum requirements for financial aid authorized under Title 3, and the benefits of completing the requirements for that automatic admission and financial aid;

(3) require that each high school counselor and senior class advisor explain to eligible students the substance of Section 51.803; and

(4) not later than the 14th day after the last day of classes for the fall semester or an equivalent date in the case of a school operated on a year-round system under Section 25.084, provide each [~~eligible~~] senior student eligible under Section

51.803 and each student enrolled in the junior year of high school who has a grade point average in the top 10 percent of the student's high school class, and the student's parent or guardian, with a written notification of the student's eligibility with a detailed explanation in plain language of the substance of Section 51.803.

(b) The commissioner shall adopt forms, including specific language, to use in providing notice under Subsections (a)(2) and (4). In providing notice under Subsection (a)(2) or (4), a school district or open-enrollment charter school shall use the appropriate form adopted by the commissioner. The notice to a student and the student's parent or guardian under Subsections (a)(2) and [Subsection] (a)(4) must be on a single form that contains [may contain one or more] signature lines to indicate receipt of notice by the student and [or] the student's parent or guardian. The notice under Subsection (a)(2) must be signed by the student's counselor in addition to being signed by the student and the student's parent or guardian.

(b) This section applies beginning with the 2014-2015 school year.

(2) In SECTION 53 of the bill, strike amended Sections 51.803(a), (b), and (d), Education Code, and added Section 51.803(m), Education Code (page 28, line 18, through page 29, line 10), and substitute the following:

(a) Subject to Subsection (a-1), each general academic teaching institution shall admit an applicant for admission to the institution as an undergraduate student if the applicant graduated with a grade point average in the top 10 percent of the student's high school graduating class in one of the two school years preceding the academic year for which the applicant is applying for admission and:

(1) the applicant graduated from a public or private high school in this state accredited by a generally recognized accrediting organization or from a high school operated by the United States Department of Defense;

(2) the applicant:

(A) successfully completed:

(i) at a public high school, the curriculum

requirements established under Section 28.025 for the foundation [~~recommended or advanced~~] high school program plus one additional science credit and one additional mathematics credit, which must be an Algebra II credit if an Algebra II credit is not used to satisfy the curriculum requirements for the foundation high school program;
or

(ii) at a high school to which Section 28.025 does not apply, a curriculum that is equivalent in content and rigor to the curriculum prescribed by Subparagraph (i) [~~recommended or advanced high school program~~]; or

(B) satisfied ACT's College Readiness Benchmarks on the ACT assessment applicable to the applicant or earned on the SAT assessment a score of at least 1,500 out of 2,400 or the equivalent; and

(3) if the applicant graduated from a high school operated by the United States Department of Defense, the applicant is a Texas resident under Section 54.052 or is entitled to pay tuition fees at the rate provided for Texas residents under Section 54.241(d) [~~54.058(d)~~] for the term or semester to which admitted.

(b) An applicant who does not satisfy the curriculum requirements prescribed by Subsection (a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) is considered to have satisfied those requirements if the student completed the portion of the [~~recommended or advanced~~] curriculum requirements prescribed by Subsection (a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) [~~or of the curriculum equivalent in content and rigor~~], as applicable, that was available to the student but was unable to complete the remainder of the curriculum solely because courses necessary to complete the remainder were unavailable to the student at the appropriate times in the student's high school career as a result of course scheduling, lack of enrollment capacity, or another cause not within the student's control.

(d) For purposes of Subsection (c)(2), a student's official transcript or diploma must, not later than the end of the student's junior year, indicate:

(1) whether the student has satisfied or is on schedule to satisfy the curriculum requirements prescribed by [~~of~~] Subsection (a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii), as applicable; or

(2) if Subsection (b) applies to the student, whether the student has completed the portion of the ~~[recommended or advanced]~~ curriculum requirements prescribed by Subsection (a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) [or of the curriculum equivalent in content and rigor], as applicable, that was available to the student.

(m) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the commissioner of education shall jointly adopt rules to establish eligibility requirements for admission under this section as to the curriculum for high school graduation under Subsections (a)(2)(A) and (b) for students participating in the recommended or advanced high school program so that the admission of those students under this section is not affected by their participation in the recommended or advanced high school program. This subsection expires September 1, 2020.

(3) In SECTION 54 of the bill, strike added Section 51.805(g), Education Code (page 29, lines 33-39), and substitute the following:

(g) The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the commissioner of education shall jointly adopt rules to establish eligibility requirements for admission under this section as to the curriculum for high school graduation under Subsection (a)(1) for students participating in the minimum, recommended, or advanced high school program so that the admission requirements for those students under this section are not more stringent than the admission requirements under this section for students participating in the foundation high school program. This subsection expires September 1, 2020.

(4) In SECTION 55 of the bill, amending Section 51.807(b), Education Code (page 29, lines 52-54), strike "or under Section 28.025(c-1)(4) for a distinguished achievement endorsement, as applicable".

(5) In SECTION 56 of the bill, strike added Section 56.009, Education Code (page 29, lines 59-69), and substitute the following:

Sec. 56.009. ELIGIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL AID BASED ON GRADUATION UNDER CERTAIN HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, to the extent that a person's

eligibility to receive financial aid, including a grant, scholarship, or loan, authorized under this chapter or under any other provision of this title, is contingent on graduation under the recommended or advanced high school program, as those programs existed before the adoption of H.B. No. 5, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the commissioner of education shall jointly adopt rules to modify affected eligibility requirements regarding completion of any specific high school programs to require successful completion of the foundation high school program under Section 28.025 plus successful completion of one additional science course and one additional mathematics course, which must be an Algebra II course if an Algebra II course is not used to complete the foundation high school program.

(b) For purposes of Subsection (a), a student who graduated under the recommended or advanced high school program is considered to have successfully completed the curriculum required under Subsection (a), including the additional courses required under that subsection. This subsection expires September 1, 2020.

(6) In SECTION 57 of the bill, in amended Section 56.3041(a)(2)(A), Education Code (page 30, lines 16-18), strike "foundation [recommended] high school program established under Section 28.025 or its equivalent" and substitute "curriculum requirements prescribed by Section 51.803(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii), as applicable, [~~recommended high school program established under Section 28.025 or its equivalent~~]".

(7) In SECTION 57 of the bill, strike added Section 56.3041(b), Education Code (page 31, lines 4-10), and substitute the following:

(b) For purposes of Subsection (a)(2)(A), a student who graduated under the recommended or advanced high school program is considered to have successfully completed the curriculum requirements prescribed by Section 51.803(a)(2)(A)(i). This subsection expires September 1, 2020.

(8) Renumber SECTIONS of the bill appropriately.