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H.B. No. 842

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to requiring public school districts to provide certain  
3 opportunities to career and technical students under the college  
4 credit program.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 28.009, Education Code, is amended by  
7 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

8 (a-1) A program implemented under this section must provide  
9 a career and technical student the opportunity to earn the credit  
10 necessary to obtain an industry-recognized credential or  
11 certificate or an associate degree concurrently with the student's  
12 high school diploma.

13 SECTION 2. This Act applies beginning with the 2015-2016  
14 school year.

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.