

AN ACT

relating to limitations on the automatic admission of undergraduate students to general academic teaching institutions.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 51.803(a-3) and (k), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a-3) Notwithstanding Subsection (a-1), The University of Texas at Austin may not offer admission under that subsection for an academic year after the 2017-2018 ~~[2015-2016]~~ academic year.

(k) A general academic teaching institution may not offer admission under Subsection (a-1) for an academic year after the 2017-2018 academic year if, on the date of the institution's general deadline for applications for admission of first-time undergraduate students for that academic year:

(1) a final court order applicable to the institution prohibits the institution from considering an applicant's race or ethnicity as a factor in the institution's decisions relating to first-time undergraduate admissions; or

(2) the institution's governing board by rule, policy, or other manner has provided that an applicant's race or ethnicity may not be considered as a factor in the institution's decisions relating to first-time undergraduate admissions for that ~~[, except~~

~~that this subdivision does not apply to an institution that did not consider, on or before June 1, 2009, an applicant's race or~~

1 ~~ethnicity as a factor in its admissions of first-time resident~~  
2 ~~undergraduate students for the 2009-2010]~~ academic year.

3       SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
4 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
5 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
6 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
7 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

H.B. No. 1843

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1843 was passed by the House on May 10, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 131, Nays 7, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1843 was passed by the Senate on May 21, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 3.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor