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S.B. No. 498

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

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2 relating to applying credit earned by a student at a general
3 academic teaching institution to an associate's degree at a
4 lower-division institution of higher education previously attended
5 by the student.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 61.833, Education Code,
8 is amended to read as follows:

9 (b) This section applies to a student enrolled in a general
10 academic teaching institution who:

11 (1) transferred to the institution from or previously
12 attended a lower-division institution of higher education;

13 (2) earned at least 30 credit hours for course work
14 successfully completed at the lower-division institution of higher
15 education; and

16 (3) has earned a cumulative total of at least 66 [~~90~~]
17 credit hours for course work successfully completed.

18 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act to Subsection
19 (b), Section 61.833, Education Code, applies beginning with the
20 2013 fall semester. A semester or other academic term before the
21 2013 fall semester is covered by the applicable law as it existed
22 before the effective date of this Act, and the former law is
23 continued in effect for that purpose.

24 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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