1-1 By: Zerwas, Clardy (Senate Sponsor - Seliger) H.B. No. 1992 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 20, 2015; 1-3 May 4, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Higher 1-4 Education; May 14, 2015, reported adversely, with favorable 1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; 1-6 May 14, 2015, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Seliger	Х			
1-10	West	Х			
1-11	Bettencourt	Х			
1-12	Burton	Х			
1-13	Menéndez	Х			
1-14	Perry	Х			
1-15	Watson	Х			

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 1992 By: Seliger

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

1-19 relating to the granting of undergraduate course credit by advanced
1-20 placement examination at public institutions of higher education.
1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 51.968, Education Code, is amended by 1-23 adding Subsection (c-1) to read as follows:

1-24 (c-1) In establishing the minimum required score on an 1-25 Advanced Placement examination for granting course credit for a 1-26 particular lower-division course under Subsection (c), an 1-27 institution of higher education may not require a score of more than 1-28 three unless the institution's chief academic officer determines, 1-29 based on evidence, that a higher score on the examination is 1-30 necessary to indicate a student is sufficiently prepared to be 1-31 successful in a related, more advanced course for which the 1-32 lower-division course is a prerequisite.

1-33 SECTION 2. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is 1-34 amended by adding Section 61.0518 to read as follows:

1-35 Sec. 61.0518. STUDY ON UNDERGRADUATE COURSE CREDIT FOR
 1-36 ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMINATIONS. (a) In this section, "Advanced
 1-37 Placement examination" has the meaning assigned by Section 51.968.
 1-38 (b) The board, in consultation with institutions of higher

1-38 (b) The board, in consultation with institutions of higher 1-39 education, the board's Undergraduate Education Advisory Committee, 1-40 and other interested parties, shall conduct a study on the 1-41 performance of undergraduate students at institutions of higher 1-42 education who receive undergraduate course credit for achieving 1-43 required scores on one or more Advanced Placement examinations.

1-44 (c) The study must compare the academic performance, 1-45 retention rates, and graduation rates at institutions of higher 1-46 education of students who complete a lower-division course at an 1-47 institution and students who receive credit for that course for a 1-48 score of three or more on an Advanced Placement examination, 1-49 disaggregated by score.

1-50 (d) Each institution of higher education shall submit to the 1-51 board any data requested by the board as necessary for the board to 1-52 carry out its duties under this section.

1-53 (e) Not later than January 1, 2017, the board shall submit 1-54 to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the standing legislative committees with 1-55 primary jurisdiction over higher education a progress report that 1-56 1-57 examines the academic performance at institutions of higher education of students who received undergraduate course credit for 1-58 1-59 a score of three on one or more Advanced Placement examinations and any recommendations for legislative or administrative action. 1-60

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(f) Not later than January 1, 2019, the board shall submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house 2-1 2-2 of representatives, and the standing legislative committees with 2-3 primary jurisdiction over higher education a report regarding the results of the study conducted under this section and any recommendations for legislative or administrative action. 2-4 2-5 2-6

2-7 (g) The board shall adopt rules as necessary to implement this section in a manner that ensures compliance with federal law regarding confidentiality of student educational information, including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (20 2-8 2-9 2-10 2-11 U.S.C. Section 1232g). 2-12

(h) This section expires September 1, 2019.

SECTION 3. Section 51.968(c-1), Education Code, as added by 2-13 this Act, applies to entering freshman students at institutions of 2-14 2**-**15 2**-**16

higher education beginning with the 2016 fall semester. SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 2-17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 2-18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 2-19 2-20 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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