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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the College Credit for Heroes program.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 302.0031, Labor Code, is amended by
- 5 amending Subsection (b) and adding Subsection (g) to read as
- 6 follows:
- 7 (b) The commission shall establish and administer the
- 8 College Credit for Heroes [demonstration] program to identify,
- 9 develop, and support methods to maximize academic or workforce
- 10 education credit awarded by institutions of higher education to
- 11 veterans and military servicemembers for military experience,
- 12 education, and training obtained during military service in order
- 13 to expedite the entry of veterans and military servicemembers into
- 14 the workforce.
- 15 (g) Not later than November 1 of each year, the commission,
- 16 after consultation with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating
- 17 Board, shall report to the legislature and the governor on:
- 18 (1) the results of any grants awarded under this
- 19 section;
- 20 (2) the best practices for veterans and military
- 21 <u>servicemembers to achieve maximum academic or workforce education</u>
- 22 credit at institutions of higher education for military experience,
- 23 education, and training obtained during military service;
- 24 (3) measures needed to facilitate the award of

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- 1 academic or workforce education credit by institutions of higher
- 2 education for military experience, education, and training
- 3 obtained during military service; and
- 4 (4) other related measures needed to facilitate the
- 5 entry of trained, qualified veterans and military servicemembers
- 6 into the workforce.
- 7 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
- 8 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
- 9 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
- 10 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
- 11 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.