

AN ACT

relating to courses and programs offered jointly by certain public junior colleges and independent school districts.

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

SECTION 1. Section 29.402, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1) A public junior college with a service area located wholly or partly in a county with a population of more than three million may enter into an articulation agreement described by Subsection (a) with any school district located wholly or partly in a county with a population of more than three million.

SECTION 2. Section 130.008, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g) A public junior college with a service area located wholly or partly in a county with a population of more than three million shall enter into an agreement with each school district located wholly or partly in a county with a population of more than three million to offer one or more courses as provided by this section. A student enrolled in a school district to which this subsection applies may enroll in a course at any junior college that has entered into an agreement with the district to offer the course under this subsection. Subsection (f) does not apply to a student who seeks to enroll in a course under this subsection.

SECTION 3. Section 130.086, Education Code, is amended by

1 adding Subsection (d-1) to read as follows:

2 (d-1) Subsection (d) does not apply to a course offered by a
3 public junior college with a service area located wholly or partly
4 in a county with a population of more than three million for high
5 school students enrolled in a school district located wholly or
6 partly in a county with a population of more than three million.

7 SECTION 4. Section 130.090, Education Code, is amended by
8 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

9 (a-1) The governing board of a junior college district
10 located wholly or partly in a county with a population of more than
11 three million may contract to provide remedial programs under
12 Subsection (a) with the governing board of any independent school
13 district located wholly or partly in a county with a population of
14 more than three million.

15 SECTION 5. Section 130.008(g), Education Code, as added by
16 this Act, applies beginning with the 2016 spring semester.

17 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1004 passed the Senate on May 12, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 4; and that the Senate concurred in House amendment on May 30, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1004 passed the House, with amendment, on May 27, 2015, by the following vote: Yeas 139, Nays 5, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor