

Amend CSSB 4 (house committee printing) as follows:

(1) On page 13, line 17, strike "SEVERABILITY" and substitute "STUDY, SEVERABILITY,".

(2) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTION to Article 7 of the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of that article accordingly:

SECTION 7.____. (a) In this section, "board" means the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

(b) The board shall conduct a study on the economic and enrollment impact of this Act on public or private institutions of higher education in this state. In determining the enrollment impact, the board shall estimate the change in out-of-state student enrollment.

(c) If the board determines that there is a significant economic impact under Subsection (b) of this section, the state is liable to each public or private institution of higher education in this state on a proportional basis of the total economic impact.

(d) The board shall develop a written report of the board's findings under Subsection (b) of this section. The board shall submit the report to the governor, lieutenant governor, and members of the legislature not later than December 1, 2018.