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H.B. No. 3159

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a study regarding the economic impact of general academic teaching institutions.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is amended by adding Section 61.0519 to read as follows:

Sec. 61.0519. STUDY ON ECONOMIC IMPACT OF GENERAL ACADEMIC TEACHING INSTITUTIONS. (a) The board shall conduct a study to examine the economic impact of general academic teaching institutions on this state. In conducting the study, the board may collaborate with general academic teaching institutions and other state agencies.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2018, the board shall submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the members of each legislative standing committee with primary jurisdiction over higher education a written report that contains the results of the study under Subsection (a).

(c) This section expires January 1, 2019.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2017.