

1-1 By: Schwertner S.B. No. 249
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed November 21, 2016; January 30, 2017,
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;
 1-4 March 13, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable Committee
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; March 13, 2017,
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

| | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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| 1-8 Seliger | X | | | |
| 1-9 West | X | | | |
| 1-10 Bettencourt | X | | | |
| 1-11 Buckingham | X | | | |
| 1-12 Menéndez | X | | | |
| 1-13 Taylor of Galveston | X | | | |
| 1-14 Watson | X | | | |

1-16 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 249 By: Watson

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the submission of an affordability and access report by
 1-20 public institutions of higher education.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Sections [51.4031\(a\)](#) and (d), Education Code, are
 1-23 amended to read as follows:

1-24 (a) Not later than November 1 of each year, the chief
 1-25 executive officer of each institution of higher education, as
 1-26 defined by Section [61.003](#), shall provide to the governing board of
 1-27 the institution and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board a
 1-28 report for the preceding fall, spring, and summer semesters that
 1-29 examines the affordability and access of the institution.

1-30 (d) An institution's report must be in the form prescribed
 1-31 by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in consultation
 1-32 with the institution. The coordinating board shall provide a
 1-33 report received under this section to the governor, the lieutenant
 1-34 governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and each
 1-35 member of the legislature. The coordinating board may provide the
 1-36 report electronically.

1-37 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
 1-38 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
 1-39 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
 1-40 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
 1-41 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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