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S.B. No. 620

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a student's eligibility to enroll in courses provided through the state virtual school network.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 30A.002(a) and (c), Education Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) A student is eligible to enroll in one or more courses [~~a course~~] provided through the state virtual school network or, except as provided by Section 30A.107(c), enroll full-time in courses provided through the network only if the student:

(1) on September 1 of the school year:

(A) is younger than 21 years of age; or

(B) is younger than 26 years of age and entitled to the benefits of the Foundation School Program under Section 42.003;

(2) has not graduated from high school; and

(3) is otherwise eligible to enroll in a public school in this state.

(c) Notwithstanding Subsection (a)(3) [~~or (b)~~], a student is eligible to enroll in one or more courses provided through the state virtual school network or, except as provided by Section 30A.107(c), enroll full-time in courses provided through the network if the student:

(1) is a dependent of a member of the United States

1 military;

2                   ~~[(2) was previously enrolled in high school in this~~  
3 ~~state,]~~ and

4                   (2) ~~[(3)]~~ does not reside in this state due to a  
5 military deployment or transfer.

6           SECTION 2. Section 30A.002(b), Education Code, is repealed.

7           SECTION 3. This Act applies beginning with the 2017-2018  
8 school year.

9           SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
10 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
11 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
12 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
13 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.