

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 802  
 1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 9, 2017; February 22, 2017,  
 1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;  
 1-4 March 16, 2017, reported adversely, with favorable Committee  
 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; March 16, 2017,  
 1-6 sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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. 802 By: Seliger

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

1-19 relating to a study and report regarding best practices in the  
 1-20 transfer of course credit between public institutions of higher  
 1-21 education.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:  
 1-23 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 61, Education Code, is  
 1-24 amended by adding Section 61.0667 to read as follows:

1-25 Sec. 61.0667. STUDY ON BEST PRACTICES IN CREDIT TRANSFER.  
 1-26 (a) The board shall conduct a study to identify best practices in  
 1-27 ensuring that courses transferred to an institution of higher  
 1-28 education for course credit, including courses offered for dual  
 1-29 credit, apply toward a degree program at the institution.

1-30 (b) The study must:  
 1-31 (1) evaluate existing articulation agreements that  
 1-32 govern the transfer of course credit between institutions of higher  
 1-33 education; and

1-34 (2) identify those institutions of higher education  
 1-35 that are implementing the best practices identified under  
 1-36 Subsection (a).

1-37 (c) On request, an institution of higher education shall  
 1-38 provide information to the board as necessary for the board to  
 1-39 perform its duties under this section.

1-40 (d) Not later than November 1, 2018, the board shall submit  
 1-41 to the legislature the results of its study under this section and  
 1-42 recommendations for legislative or other action.

1-43 (e) This section expires September 1, 2019.

1-44 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
 1-45 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
 1-46 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
 1-47 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
 1-48 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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