

1-1 By: Seliger S.B. No. 1091  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 24, 2017; March 7, 2017,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on Higher Education;  
1-4 March 15, 2017, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 6,  
1-5 Nays 0; March 15, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 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		

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to limitations on courses that may be offered for dual  
1-18 credit by school districts and public institutions of higher  
1-19 education.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Section 28.009, Education Code, is amended by  
1-22 adding Subsections (a-4) and (a-5) to read as follows:

1-23 (a-4) A dual credit course offered under this section must  
1-24 be:

1-25 (1) in the core curriculum of the public institution  
1-26 of higher education providing college credit;

1-27 (2) a career and technical education course; or

1-28 (3) a foreign language course.

1-29 (a-5) Subsection (a-4) does not apply to a dual credit  
1-30 course offered as part of the early college education program  
1-31 established under Section 29.908.

1-32 SECTION 2. Section 51.968, Education Code, is amended by  
1-33 amending Subsections (b) and (c) and adding Subsections (d) and  
1-34 (d-1) to read as follows:

1-35 (b) Each institution of higher education that offers  
1-36 freshman-level courses shall adopt and implement a policy to grant  
1-37 undergraduate course credit to entering freshman students who have:

1-38 (1) successfully completed the International  
1-39 Baccalaureate Diploma Program;

1-40 (2) [, who have] achieved required scores on one or  
1-41 more examinations in the Advanced Placement Program or the  
1-42 College-Level Examination Program; [ ] or

1-43 (3) [who have] successfully completed one or more  
1-44 dual credit courses [offered through concurrent enrollment in high  
1-45 school and at an institution of higher education].

1-46 (c) In the policy, the institution shall:

1-47 (1) establish the institution's conditions for  
1-48 granting course credit, including the minimum required scores on  
1-49 CLEP examinations, Advanced Placement examinations, and  
1-50 examinations for courses constituting the International  
1-51 Baccalaureate Diploma Program; and

1-52 (2) based on the correlations identified under  
1-53 Subsection (f), identify the specific course credit or other  
1-54 academic requirements of the institution, including the number of  
1-55 semester credit hours or other course credit, that the institution  
1-56 will grant to a student who:

1-57 (A) successfully completes the diploma program;

1-58 (B) achieves required scores on CLEP  
1-59 examinations or Advanced Placement examinations; or

1-60 (C) [, who] successfully completes a dual credit  
1-61 course [through concurrent enrollment, or who achieves required

2-1 ~~scores on CLEP examinations or Advanced Placement examinations].~~  
2-2 (d) The policy adopted by an institution of higher education  
2-3 under Subsection (b) must provide that the institution may grant  
2-4 undergraduate course credit for a dual credit course only if the  
2-5 course is:

- 2-6 (1) in the core curriculum of the institution of
- 2-7 higher education that offered the course;
- 2-8 (2) a career and technical education course; or
- 2-9 (3) a foreign language course.

2-10 (d-1) Subsection (d) does not apply to a dual credit course  
2-11 completed by a student as part of the early college education  
2-12 program established under Section 29.908.

2-13 SECTION 3. Section 130.008, Education Code, is amended by  
2-14 adding Subsections (a-1) and (a-2) to read as follows:

2-15 (a-1) A course offered for joint high school and junior  
2-16 college credit under this section must be:

- 2-17 (1) in the core curriculum of the public junior
- 2-18 college;
- 2-19 (2) a career and technical education course; or
- 2-20 (3) a foreign language course.

2-21 (a-2) Subsection (a-1) does not apply to a course offered  
2-22 for joint high school and junior college credit to a student as part  
2-23 of the early college education program established under Section  
2-24 29.908.

2-25 SECTION 4. The changes in law made by this Act apply  
2-26 beginning with dual credit courses offered for the 2018 spring  
2-27 semester.

2-28 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
2-29 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2-30 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
2-31 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
2-32 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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