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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the agreement requirements for receiving a scholarship under the Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 61.9773, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

(a-1)  An agreement under this section must allow a student, on completion of an undergraduate degree program and before entering into a commitment or contract for military service described by Subsection (a)(3), to complete a graduate or postgraduate degree program at a public or private institution of higher education in this state. The board shall adopt rules for the administration of this subsection.

SECTION 2.  The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board shall adopt rules for the administration of Section 61.9773(a-1), Education Code, as added by this Act, as soon as practicable after this Act takes effect.

SECTION 3.  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, 2019.